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LONDON'S BUS SERVICES

Plot To Wreck Coronation?

London, To-day.
Allegations are being made in many quarters that a Communist plot to wreck the Coronation is behind the strike actions in Britain, threatening to paralyse London's transport system at this particular time.

Officials of the Transport Workers' Union, of which Mr. Bevan is the head, ridicule the suggestion, pointing out that notification was given to the London Transport Board of termination of the existing agreement a month ago, expiring yesterday.

Ample warning, it is pointed out, was given.

Principal claim of the men is for a seven and a half hour day, the half-hour meal time to be included as part of the normal eight hours. The Transport Board urges that its margin of working does not permit of the concession without the acceptance of financial losses in operation.—Trans-Ocean.

N.W. FRONTIER SITUATION UNDER CONTROL

Fakir Of Ipi's Losing Adherents

Bannu, To-day.

The trouble in Waziristan is likely to end soon, is the opinion of reliable observers, who state that the rebellious Fakir of Ipi's following is perceptibly dwindling.

The inhabitants of a village in south Waziristan, who have been responsible for some hostile acts, have been called upon to produce fifty hostages as security for their future peaceful behaviour.

The villagers at first pleaded they were unable to secure the hostages but when threatened with blockade of their territory, the hostages appeared.—Reuter.

BRITISH DOLLAR DECREE

A Proclamation published in today's Government Gazette decrees that the British Dollar will cease to be legal tender in the Colony as from the First day of August, 1937.

PARALYSED

GREAT STRIKE SPREADING ALL OVER COUNTRY

London, To-day.

Following the decision of the London busmen to cease work in the Central area of the metropolis as from midnight last night, comes news that 120,000 provincial busmen have been called on to walk out at the same time.

THE LONDON BUS STRIKE WAS DEFINITELY DUE TO START AT MIDNIGHT, WHEN ALL BUSES WERE TO CEASE WORK, ALTHOUGH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE SERVICES WORKING THE COUNTRY ROUTES FROM LONDON WILL CONTINUE TO RUN. THESE DECISIONS WERE REACHED BY THE DELEGATE CONFERENCE OF LONDON BUSMEN YESTERDAY.

THE FIRST CONSEQUENCE OF THE STRIKE WAS THAT THERE WERE NO NIGHT SERVICES LAST NIGHT BUT THE BUSES ON THE EVENING SERVICES COMPLETED THEIR SCHEDULED DUTIES.

BUSES TIMED TO LEAVE THE GARAGES AT 11 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT DID NOT START.

The extent of the stoppage, which is bound to create considerable chaos, may be gauged by the fact that 5,750,000 people daily use the London Passenger Transport Board's 5,000 buses.

There are 200 routes which cover an area of 2,000 square miles.

Although underground railways, trams and trolley buses are not affected by the decision to strike, they normally carry only 42 per cent. of the people, compared with the buses 58 per cent.

CUP FINAL PROBLEM

A number of people will experience abnormal delay in reaching Wembley for the Cup Final today.

The Minister of Labour has appointed a court of inquiry into the busmen's grievances.

Upon announcing this decision, the Minister of Labour asked Mr. Ernest Bevin, the men's leader, whether the strike could not now be postponed.

Mr. Bevin replied "No."

The busmen's delegate promised facilities to convey sick persons to hospital and in similar emergencies, and said they were hoping to organise a fleet of private cars for such purposes.

PROVINCIAL DECISION

The provincial decision to strike was taken at a meeting of the executive committee of delegates representing 120,000 provincial busmen held at Chelmsford last night.

The meeting decided to call on the men to join the unofficial strike starting at midnight.

The committee also endorsed the resolution passed by the busmen's conference at Chelmsford on Wednesday supporting the unofficial bus strikers who are already spread over ten counties.—Reuter.

National Coal Strike Called For May 22

London, To-day.

The industrial crisis has been accentuated by the decision of the Mine Workers' Federation to call a national coal strike beginning on May 22.

This surprising decision was made by delegates to the conference last night.

The main point at issue is recognition of the Federation in Nottinghamshire and the men's freedom at Harworth Colliery and elsewhere to join the Federation.

Unless an earlier agreement is reached, the decision will affect over half a million men.—Reuter.

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Lady Houston's Estate Surprise

Particulars of the estate of Lady Houston have become known following the announcement that letters of administration have been granted to her sister, Mrs. Florence Wrey, of Chester-terrace, Regent's Park.

Lady Houston's estate in the United Kingdom has been sworn at £1,528,475.

Her estate in Jersey amounts to about £2,000,000, making a total of £3,500,000.

Sir Robert Houston, her husband, who died in 1926, left her a fortune of £7,000,000, which was thus reduced by half in the ten years to his widow's death last December. The financial position could be thus summarised:

Paid in death duties on husband's death	£ 1,500,000
Estate remaining in England	1,528,000
Estate in Jersey	2,000,000

Total 5,028,000

Expenditure by Lady Houston during ten years may be thus arrived at:

Inherited	£ 7,000,000
Accounted for in previous table	5,028,000

Lady Houston's expenditure 1,972,000

To the latter total additions would be necessary because of interest on capital or other incomes of the estate.

£690,921 Death Duty

The announcement on the United Kingdom estate stated that £690,921 had been paid in death duties.

Sir Robert Houston had a Jersey domicile at the time of his death. There are no death duties in the Channel Islands, but the British Treasury refused to admit the validity of Sir Robert's Jersey domicile, and claimed death duties which were estimated at about £2,000,000.

In 1927 Lady Houston paid £1,500,000 to the Exchequer "as an act of grace and without admitting any legal liability on her part."

Lady Houston's fortune will be disposed of as if she had died intestate, for the will which was found was invalidated by the fact that the woman named as heiress pre-deceased her. The will was found, after several weeks' search, at Byron Cottage, Hampstead, where Lady Houston died. Made on board the steam yacht Liberty on March 20, 1930, it stated:

"I leave all I possess to Miss Hoare, of North End House, Hampstead, to do with as she in her great goodness of heart, thinks best."

The Next Of Kin

Miss Hoare, who was an aunt of Sir Samuel Hoare, First Lord of the Admiralty, died in March last year. It is because the will was thus invalid that letters of administration have been granted to Mrs. Wrey, as one of the persons entitled to share.

Among the next-of-kin are a brother, Mr. Thomas Radmall, a niece, Lady Palmer, wife of Major Sir Geoffrey Palmer, Mrs. W. Woods, another niece, and Mr. Hugh Catty, a nephew.

LIFE OF WOMAN WHO SHOT COUNT

TWO-HOUR RECITAL
TO MAGISTRATE"SAW DUCE ON 20
OCCASIONS"

Mme. Magda Fontanges, who on March 17 shot and wounded the Comte de Chambrun, former French Ambassador to Rome, at the Gare du Nord in Paris, gave a two-hour recital of her life history to the examining magistrate.

"I was born at La Roche-sur-Yon in May, 1906, and passed my childhood in Paris with my father, the painter Coroboluf, and my mother," she said. "After the death of my mother I returned to La Roche-sur-Yon and studied at the local girls' college."

"Every evening M. Laferriere, who at that time was secretary-general of the Prefecture, waited for me at the door of the college. Later he became my husband."

In 1928, Mme. Fontanges continued, a divorce was granted and both parties were pronounced to be at fault.

"I then took up life as an actress," she continued, "and first played at the Odeon Theatre, where I remained a year. Afterwards I had an engagement at the Plaza Theatre, where I acted in a detective drama called 'Inspector Gray.' In this piece I played the part of a girl who shot her uncle."

"I Am Not Mad"

Mme. Fontanges then described how she became tired of the theatre and took up journalism.

"I was introduced to M. Francois Coty—the dead perfume manufacturer and newspaper proprietor—who gave me work on the 'Figaro' and on the 'Ami du Peuple,'" she said.

Afterwards, she said, she became secretary to M. Ferry, director of the evening newspaper, "Liberte," and worked as lobby correspondent for weekly newspapers. In March 1936, she was also engaged by M. de Rovera, proprietor of the "Tribune des Nations," to do some special work for his paper.

"A month later I was sent by the 'Liberte' to interview Signor Mussolini," she continued. "I expected that I would stay in Rome only for three or four days, but I was persuaded by the Duce to remain. I saw him on about 20 occasions and stayed in Rome for two months."

She added: "It is useless to have me examined by mental doctors because I am not mad."

Empire Air Day

The Air Ministry announces that the fourth Empire Air Day will be celebrated at 53 stations of the Royal Air Force on Saturday, May 29.

This is the largest number of stations which has been available for inspection, the increase being due to the expansion of the service which is now proceeding.

The label attached to a toy balloon, released a year ago by a boy at Poole, Dorset, has just been returned to him from Kumasi, on the Gold Coast, about 3,000 miles away.

Two men who were attempting to cross the Channel in a small canoe from Dover to France were saved by the South Goodwin lightship crew when their craft capsized.

THE WORLD GOES BY

A reader asked a member of our staff the other day who, what and why Ulysses was. The member of our staff, acting on the principle of loyalty to a colleague, told him I was the pride of the office, a brilliant wit and scintillating conversationalist. This, as you who read this column must know, is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. But I feel that you, my numbskull readers, should know something of the years of my life before I burst into print before your startled gaze.

Following Mr. Lloyd George's claim to be a Basque, I can say that I am a Patagonian, though I was born in Newfoundland. The doctor who attended this interesting event was a Frenchman who only spoke Esperanto, so the stage was all set for a brilliant career for the newly-arrived infant.

For many years, however, no sign of brilliance appeared. This is no infant prodigy, the family moaned, in spite of Patagonia. Newfoundland, France and Esperanto.

And I have reason to suspect that they have not changed their opinion since—with good cause.

I have been farmer, hobo, road-mender, pub-keeper's assistant, soldier, sailor, journalist (so-called), wanderer in general and, summed up, a general failure.

I am not discouraged by this, however, experience having shown me that the failures of life are often preferable to the successes. The latter invariably suffer from swelled head, snobbishness, gout, fearful temper and general unpleasantness.

I am only generally unpleasant, so I feel I have gained something by remaining a failure.

Apart from an unusually wide experience of this comic world there is nothing distinguished about Ulysses, though it pains me somewhat to have to admit the fact.

This story of my life, somewhat in the nature of a thumb-nail sketch, has been amplified in book form and will be published at some future date by the Newspaper Enterprise.

The revelations in this publication are of such an astounding nature that the censor had to be bribed heavily before official consent to release of the book could be obtained.

This will have no effect on my pocket, however, as the profits from sales of this thrilling autobiography are expected to exceed all records, past, present and future.

It is a combination of "The seven Pillars" and all the other indiscreet publications of the great and near great, and should meet with an amazing reception from the gullible public.

It will be an expose of everything that has mystified you in every branch of life, from sport to politics. Diplomatic secrets of the utmost gravity will be laid bare and you will be able to feast your eyes on the world's scandals (with illustrations).

A truce to this foolery. I must away as I have better occupations than writing a lot of nonsense for an unappreciative and parochial public like yourselves.

ULYSSES.

GOLDEN HIND RELIC

UNITED STATES DISCOVERY

An antique brass plate has been picked up by a passing motorist on Rocky Point, overlooking San Francisco Bay. This, it is claimed by Californian historians, is the plate originally planted in 1579 by Sir Francis Drake during his famous voyage of three years round the world.

Curious as the story sound, some credence is given to it by the opinions expressed by Dr. Herbert Bolton, Professor of American History at the University of California, and Mr. Allen Chickering, president of the California Historical Society. Both have carefully examined the relic and both claim that it is genuine.

The plate is mentioned by Drake's chaplain, Francis Fletcher, in his work, "The World Encompassed," and it has always been regarded as California's greatest lost historical treasure.

Part Of Cannon?

The relic is believed to have been part of a cannon on the deck of the Golden Hind, Drake's ship, which was broken up a century later, and from whose timbers a chair was made and presented to Oxford University.

The plate is made of solid brass, and measures 6in by 8in.

It bears an etched inscription in archaic lettering, which, when washed and cleaned of the encrusted dirt of centuries, was found to read as follows:

"Bee it Knowne Vnto all men by these presents Ivne 17, 1579, by The Grace Of God And In The Name Of Her Maiesty Queen Elizabeth of England her Successors Forever, I take possession of this kingdom whose King and people freely resigne their right and title in the whole land vnto her Maiestie's keeping, now named by me;

"And be it knowne vnto all men as Nova Albion.

"Francis Drake."

The motorist who found the plate took it to the University of California, where it was pronounced genuine.

A reward of £700 has been voted to the finder.

COUNTESS OF WARWICK

To Become A Model

Lovely Countess of Warwick, who, as Miss Rose Bingham, was one of the most striking debutantes since the war, has decided to become a model.

She will settle in New York and offer her services to professional photographers who specialise in advertising and fashion pictures.

Several beautiful New York society women have adopted a similar career.

The Earl of Warwick, who went to Hollywood to make films for the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer combine, was "dropped" by them.

He had been paid £200 a week for six months, but had never had a single part.

The company's reason was that the Earl was "not suitable for the screen."

Leeds police warned local children against eating, in mistake for sweets, tablets containing a dangerous drug, which were in a packet lost by a chemist's errand-boy.

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GERMANY CRITICISES GEN. HERTZOG

INTERVIEW ON SOUTH-WEST AFRICA CAUSES OFFENCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin, To-day.

An interview given by the South African Premier, General Hertzog, at Madeira yesterday has aroused strong resentment in German official circles.

GENERAL HERTZOG, WHO IS ON HIS WAY TO LONDON FOR THE CORONATION, TOLD AN INTERVIEWER THAT GERMAN CO-OPERATION IN THE PROBLEM OF SOUTH-WEST AFRICA WOULD HELP TO SOLVE THE SITUATION.

HE SUGGESTED THE REICH MIGHT ASSENT TO TERMINATION OF THE MANDATE OVER THE TERRITORY, THUS PERMITTING IT TO BECOME AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE UNION.

The Union Government, he said, had always shown sympathy towards Germans in South-West Africa.

Official reaction to the declaration is that the profession of sympathy for Germans in the territory can hardly be reconciled with the demands made to the Reich for consent to incorporation of the territory within the Union.

Official circles recall Herr Hitler's last Reichstag speech, in which the Chancellor explicitly declared that Germany would uphold her colonial claims.

CULTURAL RIGHTS
The statement made to the League of Nations mandates commission by the South African delegate is also recalled.

The delegate said that the German demand for equal cultural rights would be favourably considered. Up till now, it is stated here, there has been no concrete result.—Trans-Ocean.

Bolivian Contract Case

A total sum in bail which is nearly twice the note circulation of Bolivia has been demanded for the two English business men who have been detained in prison for nine weeks. They are Mr. Anthony Ashton and Mr. J. H. Webster. They were arrested on fraud charges on Jan. 31.

Their bail has been set at 80,000,000 bolivianos each, a sum equivalent at par rates to about £6,000,000. Their lawyer, Senor Terrazas, has issued a statement declaring that this bail is "exorbitant."

He has appealed to the Superior Court in La Paz.

The charge brought against the two men is that they made certain sales with intent to defraud the Bolivian Government. They were arrested as the result of the investigations of a committee appointed by the Government to revise war contracts placed by the former Government.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Lieutenant Gerald Percival Rickard, 1st Battalion, The Royal Ulster Rifles, to be his Aide-de-Camp, with the local rank of captain.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Second Lieutenant Robert Rupert Hammond-Chambers, The Seaforth Highlanders, to be one of his Honorary Aides-de-Camp, with effect from this date.

BRIBE OFFER IN DRIVING TEST

Farmer Who Wanted A Pass

What was claimed to be the first case of its kind was heard at Hereford police court when a charge was preferred against John Jones, a farmer, of Pencombe.

Jones was accused of attempting to bribe Mr. G. A. Farndon, a Ministry of Transport driving test examiner, and Mr. C. C. Griffiths, a supervising examiner.

Mr. Maurice Crump, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, stated that on Jan. 19 Jones was undergoing a test.

When told that a certain movement was dangerous, he burst into a torrent of abuse and threatened to throw Mr. Farndon and Mr. Griffiths out of the car.

He eventually apologised and the test continued. Jones failed. He then said to Mr. Griffiths: "I will give you a fat tip for your trouble if you will give me a pass." Mr. Griffiths refused.

To Mr. Farndon Jones said: "I will make it worth your while to give me a pass." Mr. Farndon refused, and the matter was reported to the Ministry of Transport.

Jones was fined £11, including costs.

Auditors Advisory Committee

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed the following Committee to advise him regarding applications under the Companies Ordinance, 1932, for authority to act as Auditors in respect of Companies, other than China Companies, registered under the principal Ordinance, which keep their accounts in Chinese:—The Honourable the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (Chairman), Mr. Li Po-kwai, Mr. David Wai-kwok Au, The Honourable Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be members of the Advisory Committee of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps:—Lt-Colonel Hugh Blackwell Layard Dowbiggin, O.B.E., vice Mr. William Henry Bell, The Honourable Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jr., vice Mr. Carlos Augusto da Roza, (Deceased).

Winston Churchill On Empire Responsibilities

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—A Recital by Derek Oldham (Tenor) and Albert Sandler (Violin).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—12.10 a.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—A Light Concert.
Orchestral—
Czardas (Grossmann, arr. Kotelly),
Voices of Spring (J. Strauss),
Ferdinand Eufmann & His Orchestra.
Soprano Solo—
Sleep On ("Helen")—Offenbach.
Winnie Melville.
Piano Solos—
Fierrette (Chaminade),
Danse Creole (Chaminade).
Una Bourne.
Tenor Solo—
Let me awaken your heart,
Richard Tauber.
Violin Solo—
Fileuse (Song without words),
(Lotto)..... Carlos Sedano.
Soprano Solo—
Si mes vœux avaient des ailes
(Huge & Hahn)... Binon Vallin.
Orchestral—

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7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quota-
tions and Hong Kong Exchange
Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Barnabas von Geczy and His
Orchestra.
Fresh Breezes (Borchert).
Valse Triste (Sibelius).
Hindu Song ("Sadko")—Rimsky-
Korsakov).
Pusztá (Mihaly).
Mexican Serenade (Raschubec).
Pony (Rixner).
Ragamuffin (Rixner).
Free and Easy (Forschmann).
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather
Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—A Variety Programme.
Vocal Trio—
Stardust..... The Radio Three.
Orchestra—
The Great Ziegfeld—Selection,
Colleen—Selection,
Maurice Winnick & His
Orchestra.
Vocal—
Headin' Home.... The Hill Billies.
Humorous Sketch—
Sandy's Own Broadcasting
Station..... Sandy Powell.
Vocal—
Why is there ever good-bye?

Olive Gilbert.
Miracles sometimes happen,
Turner Layton.
Piano Solo—
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley
No. R. 21..... Charlie Kunz.
Vocal—
Hildegard Looks Back,
Hildegard.
Piano Solos—
Melodies of the month, No. 20,
Len Green.
Orchestra—
It's love again—Film Selection,
Louis Levy & His Gaumont
British Symphony.
Vocal—
Did I remember?... Gracie Fields.
Serenade in the night,
Marc Henri.
Heaven in a Song,
You must have music,
Richard Tauber (Tenor).
9.05 p.m.—London—News and An-
nouncements.
9.25 p.m.—Sydney Gustard at the
Cinema Organ.
Serenade (Toselli).
Caprice Viennois (Kreisler).
Funeral March of a Marionette
(Gounod).
Hermann Lohr Medley.
9.40 p.m.—From the Studio.
The Waikiki Trio.

1. Lei X.
2. Kalua Ni.
3. May Day is Loi Day in Hawaii.
4. Honolulu, I love you.
5. Aloha means I love you.
9.55 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—
I'm in love all over again.
Everybody's swingin' it now.
Waltz—Song of the Islands.
Slow Fox-Trot—Would you?
Waltz—A Waltz was born in Vienna.
Fox-Trot—
The Man from the South.
Way down yonder in New Orleans.
Slow Fox-Trot—
There's a Star in the Sky.
Fox-Trot—
I've got a heavy date.
A Melody from the Sky.
Alone again.
Cling to me.
Slow Fox-Trot—With all my heart.
Fox-Trot—Everything stops for tea.
Waltz—A Beautiful Lady in Blue.
10.45 p.m.—London—The Football As-
sociation Cup Final. The second
half of the Commentary by George
Allison and Ivan Sharpe on the As-
sociation Football Match. From the
Empire Stadium, Wembley.
11.45 p.m.—London—Light Orchestral
Music. (Recorded).
11.55 p.m.—London—"Responsibilities
of Empire"—S. A Talk by The Right
Hon. Winston Churchill, C.H., M.P.
(Electrical Recording).
12.10 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Only One Chance

Cards have moods. At times they are generous: if a player abuses them, they forgive and grant "another chance." More often, however, they are surly, even relentless. Then mistakes are apt to be costly. There will not be an opportunity to redeem the error through subsequent brilliance.

The East defender, in the hand shown below, made what a great many players would term only a "slight slip," but, considering that it was directly responsible for the fulfillment of a game contract, that description would appear somewhat inadequate.

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

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S—A J 10 9
H—A K
D—Q 10 4 2
C—9 6 4
WEST
S—8 6 3 2
H—Q 8 7 2
D—J 8
C—10 8 5
EAST
S—K 5 4
H—J 9 3
D—K 9 7
C—A 7 3 2
SOUTH
S—Q 7
H—10 6 5 4
D—A 6 5 3
C—K Q J

The bidding:
North East South West
1 spade Pass 2 no trump Pass
3 no trump Pass Pass Pass
West opened the deuce of hearts, dummy's king won, and East followed with the nine spot. This was an excellent play by East, although he probably was unaware of it and had intended merely to signal "come on." The actual value of the play of the nine could have been materially greater than that of a signal if East had later capitalized it.

A low club was led from dummy, East ducked, and dummy's king won. The queen of spades followed; the finesse was taken, and East gobbled up the king. Now was the time when he could have fructified his former play of the nine of hearts. He should have returned the heart jack, but, probably appalled at such a "needless waste," he actually led back the heart

three. Dummy's ace won, and a low diamond was played to the ace [declarer could not afford to cash dummy's spades at this stage because he could not discard on them too comfortably]. A diamond was returned toward dummy, and the queen felled West's jack. East was in again with the king of diamonds, and now he proudly cashed his heart jack, but he had only succeeded in blocking his partner's long card in the suit. West could not overtake except at the expense of establishing the declarer's ten spot, so East had to be content with the three tricks he already had taken, and the club ace which was later conceded to him.

The play of the nine of hearts at the first trick had been proper for two reasons, one much more important than the other. It was correct as a signal card, but much more correct as the start of an unblock. East could see from his own scattering of high honours that West must be almost trickless. The outstanding hope of the defence, therefore, should have rested on West's ability to take a couple of heart tricks through East's co-operation. If the declarer had the heart queen, East's jack certainly would be worthless, but if West held that valuable card, it might be [and actually was] vital for East to put himself in a position in which he could lead through a low heart to a possible tenace in West's hand. Obviously, the unblock of the Jack of hearts on the second heart trick would have done just this thing. East still would have won this three tricks, and West's two heart tricks would have accounted for the defeat of the contract.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: Partner opened the bidding with two diamonds. Next hand passed. What is my proper response with S J 8 5 H 9 8 4 D J 8 7 3 5 C 6 5?

Answer: Four diamonds. This shows powerful support in the trump suit, but no king, void or singleton.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"The Holy Terror"—with Jane Withers, Anthony Martin, Leah Ray and Joan Davis. This is Jane Withers' latest comedy, and involves her in hilarious doings with the Navy when as the "pet" at a Naval Base she gets herself and the sailors in no end of trouble.

AT THE KING'S—"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Charlie Chan At The Opera"—A Comedy adorns the latest mystery adventure which brings in Boris Karloff as the wily Chinese sleuth's maniacal foe.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Devil Is A Sissy"—with Freddie Bartholomew, Jack Cooper, Mickey Rooney and Ian Hunter. A startlingly new theme, brilliantly handled. The boys are outstanding. Not to be missed.

AT THE STAR—"Charlie Chan At The Race Track"—with Warner Oland, Keye Luke, Helen Wood, Thomas Beck and Gavin Muir. Another typical Chan mystery, but one of the best.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"The Garden of Allah"—with Marlene Dietrich, Charles Boyer and Joseph Schildkraut. The immortal love story of Domini Efilden who flees to the Algerian desert to begin life anew and there meets a handsome Trappist monk who has fled from a Monastery after taking the eternal vows. This time in technicolour.

COMING PICTURES

"Green Pastures," the most talked about film for several years. Banned in England and then permit-

ted to be shown, it has since passed the Censor in China and Hong Kong. Coming to the King's.

"Banjo on My Knee"—With Barbara Stanwyck, Joel McCrea, Helen Westley, Buddy Ebsen, Walter Catlett, Katherine de Mille and Anthony Martin. A thrill musical, depicting the tragic-comedy that is the life story of the river-boat people on the Mississippi. Coming to the Queen's.

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Mama Steps Out"—A girl whom her mother hopes will marry a cultured foreigner elopes with an American crooner. Starring Stanley Morner and Betty Furness. Coming to the King's.

"After The Thin Man"—with Miss Myrna Loy as Nora Charles, epitome of the sophisticated modern wife who assists her famous husband William Powell in ferreting out crimes against a San Francisco background. Coming to the King's.

"Hideaway Girl"—An excellent mystery story and gay music supplied in the Martha Raye manner, starring Shirley Ross and Robert Cummings. Coming to the Queen's.

"Johna Meade's Woman"—a powerful story starring Edward G. Arnold and Francine Larrimore. Coming to the Queen's.

"Mind Your Own Business"—With Charles Ruggles, Alice Brady, Lyle Talbot, Benny Baker and Frankie Darro. The tale of a nature writer who has bees in his bonnet as well as his column and a wife who gets him into a tangle that it takes a general alarm to unravel. Coming to the Queen's.



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Eye-Witnesses' Stories Of Santander Incident

GET FIT: KEEP FIT

National Campaign In Britain

London, To-day. The Government's Physical Training and Recreation Bill giving effect to the plans for a national fitness campaign is making good progress in Parliament and should reach the Statute Book at an early date.

By that time, the National Advisory Council, under the presidency of Lord Aberdare hoped to have completed the preliminary organisation upon which it is engaged.

Meantime, correspondence reaching the Council bears witness to the public interest which the campaign is arousing. A nation-wide poster campaign with the slogan, "Get Fit. Keep Fit" is being inaugurated.—British Wireless.

DUKE OF BEDFORD & R.A.F. SEARCH

£1,000 Gift To Fund

The Air Council has announced that the Duke of Bedford has given £1,000 to the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

The gift was made "in token of the services rendered by Royal Air Force units in the search for the aircraft piloted by the late Duchess of Bedford, in which she lost her life."

The Duke of Bedford, it was stated, asked that his very grateful thanks should be given to all ranks of the Air Force who took part in the search.

"Planes from 10 Royal Air Force stations were engaged in the search, which lasted eight days and covered six counties.

The announcement by the Air Council adds:

"The Council are deeply sensible of the spirit in which this generous gift has been made. In acknowledging it they have assured the donor of the respectful sympathy which is felt towards him by the whole Service, which profoundly regrets the loss of one whose pioneering work has been a notable feature of British aviation.

"The gift will be most appropriately devoted to a purpose which the late Duchess herself had much at heart."

The cheque has been transmitted to the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, which exists to relieve distress among all ranks of the flying Services past and present and their dependents.

Business Tax In Canton

Canton, To-day. The Business Tax Bureau has announced that the first instalment of the tax in Canton must be paid to the Government before May 9.—Our Own Correspondent.

The Roumanian Government cancelled the order issued expelling a number of foreign journalists who have been working in Bucharest for years as correspondents for British, American, German and other newspapers.

Duke Of Connaught Much Better

London, To-day.

The condition of the Duke of Connaught, who celebrated his 87th birthday yesterday, shows marked progress, states a bulletin issued at Bournemouth where the Duke is confined to his room with leg trouble.—British Wireless.

AERIAL HOUSE OPENED IN THE STRAND

Duke Of Kent On Air Conquest

London, To-day.

The Duke of Kent opened yesterday Aerial House in the Strand where henceforward the Civil Aviation Department of the Air Ministry will be housed.

In the course of a short speech, His Royal Highness expressed the hope that the International Commission of Air Navigation would encourage the spirit of mutual co-operation which would ensure that humanity might enjoy to the full the benefit which the conquest of the air could bestow.—British Wireless.

CHARCOAL MURDER TRIAL

Accused Found Guilty: Sentenced To Death

After deliberation for two and a half hours, the jury in the Charcoal Murder Trial last evening, at 7.15, returned a verdict of guilty against Chiu Yuk-fai, young P.W.D. draughtsman, charged with the murder of Cheung Yuk-ching.

After the jury's verdict, accused repeated that he did not murder the woman, but he received the announcement of the death sentence without sign of emotion.

The jury were exempted from further service for a period of two years.

KING AND QUEEN GO TO WINDSOR

London, To-day.

The King and Queen left Buckingham Palace by car yesterday afternoon for Royal Lodge, Windsor, where they will spend the weekend.

To-day, Their Majesties will motor direct from Royal Lodge to Wembley to witness the Football Association Cup Final. Their Majesties are expected to return to Buckingham Palace on Monday.—British Wireless.

His Honour Mr. Justice Roger Edward Lindsell has been nominated as a Member of the Court of the University of Hong Kong during the absence from the Colony of Mr. Francis John de Rome, M.B.E., or until further notice.

Deadly Effect Of Aerial Bombing

Vessel Heels Over After Being Hit On Stern

Gibraltar, To-day.

Dramatic eye-witness accounts of the bombing and sinking of the Spanish insurgent cruiser Espana are given by thousands of fisherfolk at Santander.

THESE FISHERMEN WATCHED THE AMAZING DRAMA UNFOLD BEFORE THEIR EYES FROM THE SAFETY OF THE SHORE, AND GIVE THRILLING ACCOUNTS OF THE DRAMATIC END OF THE REBEL CRUISER.

THE GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT, THEY SAY, CONSISTED OF ONLY THREE BOMBERS, ESCORTED BY FIGHTING PLANES.

THREE COASTAL BATTERIES OPENED FIRE ON THE ESPAÑA AND HER COMPANION CRUISER, THE VELASCO, AS SOON AS THEY SAW THEIR ATTEMPT TO MOLEST THE BRITISH STEAMER BROTRA.

The Government planes immediately took off and, braving a hail of anti-aircraft shells from the two warships, dived low over the enemy ships with almost incredible daring.

Seven extremely powerful bombs were dropped, two of which struck the Espana in the stern.

"There was a huge cloud of smoke and a deep roar, and the doomed ship gradually sank by the stern," said one eye-witness.

"The bows lifted high in the air, and I saw tiny figures scuttling about on the decks."

JUMPED INTO SEA

Then, as the rebel Velasco approached to carry out rescue work, hundreds of the crew of the sinking ship jumped into the sea.

Not content with this success, says a report from Bilbao, the Government aircraft followed up the sinking of the Espana by seeking out the cruiser Almirante Cervera.

Several bombs were dropped but the airmen failed to register any hits and the planes returned to their base.

Sinking of the Espana has caused the greatest consternation in rebel ranks.

Many insurgent officials poured into Gibraltar yesterday afternoon seeking confirmation of the sinking.

BASQUES REINFORCED

Meanwhile the Basques facing another insurgent attack from Guernica have been strengthened by large numbers of fresh militia.

Practically the whole of the peasant population of Biscay Province, as well as inhabitants of towns and tens of thousands of refugees from other Basque provinces, are slowly withdrawing within Bilbao's powerful ring of fortifications.

Scenes reminiscent of the evacuation of Belgium are being witnessed as families, their belongings piled high on primitive ox-carts, trudge wearily towards Bilbao and safety.

The influx into Bilbao has been continuing throughout the past two nights.—Reuter.

THE INTERFERENCE ISSUE

Committee Discusses Situation

The Chairman's Sub-committee of the International Committee for the application of agreement regarding non-intervention in Spain, met at the Foreign Office yesterday and has under consideration the position which would arise if a ship on a voyage to Spanish ports, which had the right to fly the flag of one of the countries parties to the agreement and which had on board international observing officers should be seized or interfered with off the coasts of Spain by either of the two parties in Spain.

The Danish, Finnish and Norwegian Ministers were present when this subject was under discussion.

After a general exchange of views, the Committee agreed that a plenary session of International Committee should be held on Wednesday for the purpose of considering a draft questionnaire in which each Government would be asked to furnish statements of their views on the foregoing question.—British Wireless.

MR. J. A. LYONS IN LONDON

Warm Welcome At Station

London, To-day.

The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. A. Lyons, arrived in London yesterday morning for the Coronation.

He was welcomed at the station by the Secretary for the Dominions, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, and the High Commissioner for Australia.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN AGREES TO AID BILBAO REFUGEES

Navy To Escort Rescue Ships

SATISFACTORY ASSURANCES OF HUMANITARIAN INTENTIONS

London, To-day.

In response to the appeal of the Basque authorities for naval protection in the evacuation of old people, women and children, the British Government has asked assurances that the evacuation will be purely a humanitarian measure, with no political complexion.

ASSURANCES, WHICH THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS SATISFACTORY, HAVE NOW BEEN RECEIVED AND THE BRITISH NAVY WILL PROTECT ON THE HIGH SEAS BASQUE SHIPS EVACUATING SUCH PERSONS.

The British Consul at Bilbao will superintend the embarkation of refugees and will ascertain that they are confined to genuine old persons, women and children.

It is assumed that General Franco will not object to the scheme.

FRANCE MAY AID

From Paris comes a report stating that the Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos, confirms that plans to evacuate Basque women and children are under consideration by the French Government.

Speaking before the foreign affairs committee of the Senate, M. Delbos said that it is possible that ships now in Bordeaux will be requisitioned for transportation of approximately 3,000 refugees to France.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

London, To-day.

The Basque Government, having enquired in London whether naval protection would be afforded to the ships by which it hopes to arrange for the evacuation of women and children and old people from Bilbao, the British Government has ascertained that there would be complete impartiality as between the parties and supporters and opponents of the existing regime in the choice of refugees for evacuation.

In these circumstances, in conformity with the policy hitherto followed, of lending all possible assistance to humanitarian work to both sides in the civil war, His

Majesty's Government have instructed British warships to give protection outside territorial waters to any vessels carrying noncombatant refugees from Bilbao. The British Government confidently assume that General Franco for his part would not wish to impede this humanitarian endeavour and they anticipate no difficulty regarding the departure of the refugee ships.

Actually, so far, there has been no attempt by insurgent naval forces to interfere with shipping of any kind leaving Bilbao.

CONSIDER SUPERVISION

It is understood that the British Consul in Bilbao will be in a position to satisfy himself of the complete disregard of political considerations in the selection of refugees.

The decision of the British Government follows close on the Home Secretary's intimation of his willingness to facilitate the proposal of Spanish Relief Organisation to bring a number of Basque children to Britain and the assurance repeated in the Commons by the Foreign Secretary that the Government are considering what action could be taken, in cooperation with other governments, to prevent a recurrence of aerial attacks on civilians by either side in the Spanish Civil War.—British Wireless.

Mr. R. W. Roberts has been appointed a Member of the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee in the place of Mr. Alfred Brearley resigned.

Gladys Cooper Weds Philip Merivale

Chicago, To-day.

The British actress, Gladys Cooper, whose marriage to Sir Arthur Pearson was dissolved on Monday, yesterday married the actor, Philip Merivale.—Reuter.

WAGES INCREASES IN ITALY

From 10 To 12 Per Cent. Throughout Country

Rome, To-day.

Wages throughout Italy will be raised from 10 to 12 per cent, declared Signor Mussolini yesterday, adding that the increase would be effective as from May 9.

A decree states that the increase has been rendered necessary by the high cost of living which since the Abyssinian war, has risen over 25 per cent.—Reuter.

WOUNDED ARMY LEADER

Successful Operation In Shanghai

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reported that after an operation for removal of a bullet from his chest, General Liu Du-chuen, Commander of the 49th. Army, is comfortable and doing well.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH FLAT EXPERIMENT

Slum Clearance Problem Met

NEEDS OF SMALL FAMILIES

London, To-day.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Minister of Health yesterday opened a block of flats at Bristol which are a new experiment in slum clearance.

The flats are being provided to meet the needs of small families and elderly single people who are unable, owing to their work, to move to out-lying estates and who do not require a full-sized house.

Families who will occupy them are persons of very small means and in this scheme the Bristol Corporation are tackling the hard core of some of the lower paid workers in the slums. The rents of the smallest flats are as low as four shillings per week, inclusive of rates, water and electric light, and include some furniture for the tenants.

Sir Kingsley said the greatest contribution that had been made by the present generation to social improvements and security had been in respect of better housing for the people.—British Wireless.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has nominated Mr. G. S. Archbutt as a Member of the Court of the University of Hong Kong for a period of three years.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has approved the relinquishment of his appointment as Aide-de-Camp by Lieutenant (Local Captain) W. J. R. Cragg, 1st Battalion, The Lincolnshire Regiment.

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PASSENGERS ON EMPIRE AIR ROUTES

To anyone studying traffic progress on Empire air-lines, it is always interesting to have a chat with those officials whose work brings them into daily contact with the passengers who, at the present time, are entering and leaving England by way of the long-distance flying routes.

'Among features of our traffic on the India route just recently,' explains one of these experts, 'has been the opening up of oil-producing plants at Bahrain, on the Persian Gulf. This has meant that officials and skilled workers have been going out to Bahrain in appreciable numbers by air, saving a very considerably amount of time by so doing.'

'A regular aspect of traffic on the Imperial Airways Empire services is the seasonal flow of Government officials coming home on leave from places along the India and Africa routes, and then returning again when their leave has expired. Nowadays many of them are taking advantage of the inter-change arrangements between air and sea travel, coming home by ocean liner, and returning by air-liner, or vice-versa.'

'At all times a definite proportion of passenger traffic on Empire air routes is represented by tourists and pleasure passengers. Business travellers, too, are always to be found in our Empire air-lines — managing directors, executive chiefs, sales experts. Engineers fly to and from mining areas in Africa. The speed of our Empire services enables mining chiefs to fly to London for important meetings and conferences and then, if necessary, return immediately to the mines.'

'An increasing number of children make trips along Empire air-lines. Some of them fly with parents or guardians. Others travel alone in the care of Imperial Airways, being in the charge of our flying staffs while machines are in the air, and being looked after by members of our ground organisation at the various halting-points. Children receive individual care

LIGHTWEIGHT STATIONERY FOR AIR-MAIL USE

Result Of Researches By British Paper-Making Firms

Among preparations in hand for the forthcoming carriage of first-class mails by air without surcharge, one interesting task has been that of British paper-makers.

Their researches have been undertaken for the following reason. When the 1½d. rate becomes applicable to first-class mails air-borne by Empire services — as it is at present to letters by surface routes — this 1½d. rate for air transport will apply to letters weighing half an ounce. This being so, and to enable business houses and others to take full advantage of the speed of air transport, it has been the object of paper-making firms to improve still further lightweight forms of stationery for air-mail use.

The aim has been to produce a paper as light as possible, compatible with sufficient strength, and also with a texture enabling the paper to be used either for typewriting or for handwriting. At the same time it has been the ambition to produce a paper which is satisfactorily opaque.

The researches of a good many firms have produced admirable results. A number of light-weight air-mail papers are now available. Some are white. Others are coloured to render them more opaque. Though astonishingly thin and light, these papers are made in a way that gives them a remarkable toughness.

The question of extremely light envelopes has also been a special study, and the result at the present time is that a letter can contain as many as, say, eight typewritten quarto-sheets; and yet this eight-page letter, even when the weight of its envelope is added, comes within the stipulated half-ounce.

throughout the whole of their flying journeys. They are found to make ideal air travellers, and are of course the subject of special attention from adult members of the travelling party.'

Safe Air Travel To Far East

From next month the K.L.M. Royal Dutch air service from Amsterdam to Java will be operated with big Douglas D.C.3. aeroplanes all fitted with automatic pilots, de-icers and short-wave wireless sets, which will allow the passengers to keep in touch all the time with Amsterdam and Batavia.

This announcement was made by Mr. Albert Plesman, director of the service.

He said that this summer there would be nine daily air services between Amsterdam and London.

Passengers leaving Amsterdam in the morning will be able to spend 10½ hours in London and return the same evening. The K.L.M. hopes to resume service on the line from Amsterdam to Liverpool via Doncaster this summer.

Mr. Plesman foresees practical flights into the stratosphere—the atmosphere from a height of about six miles upwards—in another four years' time.

As announced in the "China Mail" on Thursday, the Java subsidiary of the K.L.M. will shortly open a service from the Netherlands East Indies to Australia.

EIGHT YEARS OF THE ENGLAND-INDIA SERVICE

'This is the real start of Empire air transport!' Such were the words used on a March morning eight years ago, when Sir Samuel Hoare — then Air Minister — watched an air-liner ascend from Croydon on the first outward flight of the service that was inaugurated between London and Karachi.

The establishment of this 5,000 miles England-India flying mail represented the first great milestone in the development of inter-Imperial air transport. The 3-engined land-planes and flying-boats first used on the service were, as traffic grew, replaced by larger 4-engined aircraft. Then, as traffic continued to expand, came extensions across India to Calcutta, Rangoon, and Singapore; followed by the establishment, at the end of 1934, of a service from England, via India, to Australia.

Other milestones of progress came with the decision to increase the frequency of services from once-weekly to twice-weekly in each direction. A twice-weekly London-Calcutta service was instituted in January, 1935. By September of the same year twice-weekly services were in operation between London and Singapore; while by May, 1936, it became possible to fly twice-weekly in each direction between England and Australia.

Ahmedabad and various destinations in Kathiwar.

The Russian authorities are considering a project for carrying an expedition of scientists by air to the North Pole, and then for picking them up and bring them back by air as soon as they have completed a programme of special investigations.

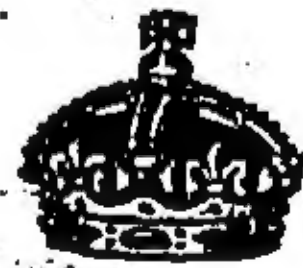
New air-lines expected to be opened in Russia shortly include Moscow-Leningrad and Moscow-Taskhent services, also a seaplane route between Odessa and Batum.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

'By air to Paris!' That is a slogan which, each year, attracts more and more Easter holiday-folk. This year the special Easter arrangements on Imperial Airways routes included the scheduling of six special services to Paris.

Arrangements have been made for the operation, as soon as certain ground organisation is completed, of regular air services between Bombay and Poona, and Bombay,

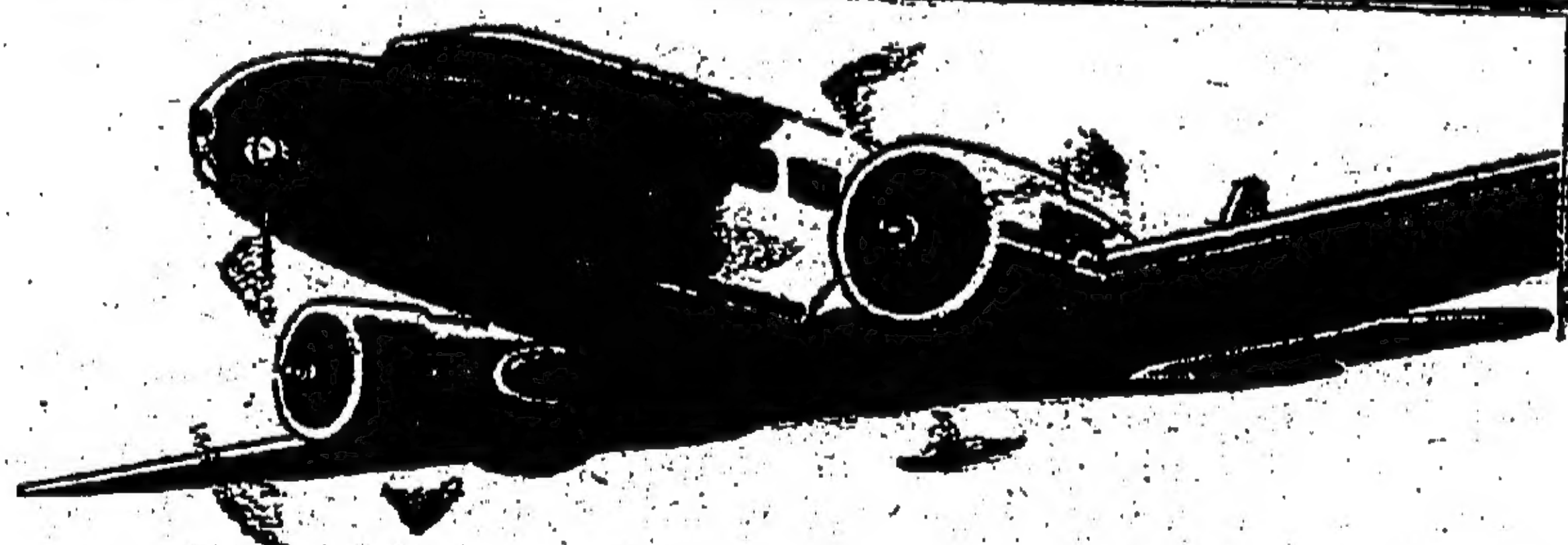
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THIS WEEK ON THE LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Messrs. G. A. Harriman & Co's weekly share report and market review issued at noon to-day states:—

The advent of summer weather has slowed down business locally this week, for, on a generally dull market, the sentimental effect of the sharp break in world commodity and stock price has naturally been reflected here. So brokers (and clients too we suspect) are taking advantage of the sunny days, and leaving early for the beaches and golf courses in preference to "flogging a dead horse" in Ice House Street. Manila shares have been irregular; closing somewhat lower on the week. The scare of a lower U.S. Gold price is still with us and until fears of any change are entirely allayed, gold shares are not likely to recover from the attack of nerves, that is now afflicting them.

In spite of a dull market, large parcels of Electrics were dealt in at \$60½ and \$61, with buyers still interested at the cheaper figure. Telephones (old) exchanged at \$30, and the "New" are \$12½ bid. Trams have come down to \$15 sellers, buyers offering \$14¾. China Lights (old) are on offer at \$14.40 and the "New" obtainable 25 cts cheaper. Macao Electrics have buyers at \$17½, Sandakan Lights at \$12½ and Singapore Traction ords. at 27/-.

Cements were very active up to \$16 and with the big military developments taking place in the Colony from which the Co. must benefit, this share appears conservatively valued. Ropes have small enquiries at \$5.30. Dairys sold as high as \$26 and Sinceres are again in enquiry at \$2.70. Lane Crawfords came out with an unexpected dividend announcement of 6 per cent., which is the first dividend distributed by the company since 1932. A resumption of dividends by this "luxury store" is definite indication of the greater spending power of the Colony's inhabitants and is another "pointer" to the improving earnings of our well managed companies. Lane Crawfords are \$9 cum.

Ewos are quietly steady at Sh.\$16½ middle and Shanghai Cottons are wanted at Sh.\$117.

Vibro Piling had sales at \$6½ and there are now buyers at \$6.20. Constructions (new) continue to be wanted at 45 cts.

Wharf appreciated to \$118 sales. Providents (old) were again fairly active up to \$2.35, closing sellers at \$2.30, buyers at \$2.25. The (New) were enquired for at 30 cents. Docks are very steady at \$31½ middle, with sales reported during the week at \$31½ and \$31%. Hotels are quiet, small business was done between \$7.30 and \$7.45 and there are now sellers at the higher price. Lands can be taken at \$85½, after sales at \$35½. Hong Kong Realty made \$6, and at slightly under there are still buyers. Humphreys exchanged at \$9½.

Of Insurance shares, Cantons were popular, the annual figures proving most satisfactory. Business was done at \$325 cum. Unions sold at \$622. China Underwriters are \$1.55, buyers. Hong Kong Banks are wanted at \$1865 after business at this figure. Bank of East Asia are now \$93 bid.

Philippine Mining:—The market ruled easy after early firmness.

HOLIDAYS WITH PAY ARE PLANNED FOR ALL WORKERS

Holidays with pay for everybody who has been in the same job for a year are planned in a new Government Bill. M.P.s discussed it in committee and surveyed measures to banish the "tighter belt" vacation. Proposal is to remove the nightmare of thousands of British families, who dread the holidays because they have no wages coming in, and to ease the worry of working-class mothers who cannot afford to take their children to the seaside for a week.

The Minister for Labour, Mr. Brown intends, after the Standing Committee of the House has ex-

amined his plans, to set up a committee of employers and union nominees—to prepare the best possible formula for giving them effect.

£30,000,000 SCHEME

When the Standing Committee discussed the Bill Mr. Louis Smith (Con., Hallam) urged that its provisions be amended so that industry would not suffer detriment from increased financial burdens.

The Bill was a type of "Lenin dictatorship" to industry, he said. Employers always resented Government interference in trade.

The present proposals would affect twelve million workers and the cost of granting a week's annual holiday would be £30,000,000.

Mr. Hopkinson (Nat., Mossley) declared that the Bill was based on "sloppy thinking and sob-stuff."

BEST SCHEME SOUGHT

Lieutenant-Colonel Muirhead, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, then announced the Government's intention, whether legislation resulted or not, to have a general investigation by a joint committee.

"The committee will examine practicable limits within which the holiday with pay plan may be extended, and will advise on the most suitable line of action," he declared.

Further discussion was adjourned.

WOMEN SNATCH SCRAPS OF ROYAL ROBES

Women eagerly snatched from the floor fragments of the silk with which the King's Coronation robe is being made when the Brain-tree, Essex, works of Messrs. Warner and Sons were thrown open to the public.

The Queen's robe was completed there. Sightseers tried to touch the rich purple cloth of the King's robe on its loom, were restrained by officials.

There were so many visitors that work had to be stopped.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, referring in the Canterbury diocesan gazette to the broadcast of the Coronation service, said:—"I hope, where it is possible, the broadcast may be heard in church, so that the service may be followed in a fitting religious atmosphere."

A service in preparation for the Coronation will be broadcast from the Concert Hall, Broadcasting House, on the Sunday evening before the Coronation. The address will be given by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The final hymn, the National Anthem and a solemn fanfare will be broadcast from under the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral, where the Coronation choir and delegate singers from the Dominions, Scotland, Wales, Ireland and London will be assembled.

Queen Maud of Norway, aunt of the King, landing at Newcastle was the first royal visitor to the Coronation to arrive.

Her arrival was kept secret until the ship berthed. A motor-car was on the quay to convey her to Sandringham.

A bottle, hurled by an unknown person at a Glasgow fire engine, struck the driver's helmet and the fragments injured another fireman in the face.

ARCHBISHOP ON DIVORCE

MARRIAGES ARE INDISSOLUBLE

STRICT CONDITIONS FOR COMMUNION

The attitude of the Church on the subject of admission to Communion after divorce is discussed by the Archbishop of Canterbury in the "Canterbury Diocesan Gazette."

The Primate explains that he has been induced to refer to the matter by the misunderstanding which has arisen following a recent resolution adopted by the Bishops in Convocation. Dr. Lang writes:

"I have been asked to say something on this difficult and anxious matter by persons who have been perplexed by the resolution recently adopted by the Bishops in the Convocation of Canterbury. I can do so only very shortly.

"It is plain that there has been much misunderstanding, due largely, I cannot but think, to headlines in the popular Press, such as 'Ban on Divorce Withdrawn,' etc. Such phrases are, of course, wholly misleading. Three things must be remembered:

"1. The Bishops had already affirmed as our Lord's principle and standard of marriage that it is a lifelong and indissoluble union; and had resolved that the Church should not allow the use of its Marriage Service in the case of anyone who has a partner still living.

"2. Having laid down the main principle, they proceeded to consider the case of those who by marriage after divorce have failed to be loyal to it. The question was—were such persons even if they came genuinely to desire the grace of the sacraments to be in all circumstances sentenced to a lifelong excommunication?

Strict Conditions

"This seemed to all the Bishops but two to be a rigorist logic which was not in place in a matter affecting the care of human souls. They considered that to insist upon this rigour would be to forget the injunction laid upon them at their Consecration: 'So minister discipline that you forget not mercy.'

"They then indicated the conditions under which a Bishop might exercise his pastoral discretion, believing that it was right that such conditions should be publicly known and generally observed. These conditions were set forth in a resolution too long to be quoted here. If that resolution is carefully read, it will be seen that the conditions are strict.

"3. It must not be forgotten that the resolutions so far adopted are only provisional. The final decision can only be reached when the matter has been fully considered by both Houses of each Convocation and by the two Convocations acting together.

"I have not attempted to argue the question. I have only endeavoured very shortly to explain the nature and limitations of the vote in the Upper House of the Convocation of Canterbury."

It is understood that Sir James Taylor, Deputy-Governor of the Reserve Bank of India since 1935, will be appointed Managing Governor of the Bank in place of Sir Osborne Arkell Smith, who has been Governor since 1935.

ERROR IN NEW PRAYER BOOK

A Missing Line

A Leeds woman who purchased a copy of the new Prayer Book discovered what is believed to be a unique error—the omission of a complete line of five words from the Prayer for the King.

The publishers, Messrs. Eyre and Spottiswoode, were informed by the bookseller. They had previously noticed it and only a limited number of copies had left their hands.

The error appears on page 56 of the new cheap edition, but not in the more expensive new editions. It is in the section of the prayer used in morning and evening service for the King which contains the words "Most heartily we beseech Thee with Thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King George."

In the cheap edition of the new Prayer Book this reads "Most heartily we beseech Thee with Thy gracious Sovereign Lord, King George."

A member of the firm explained that in one of the eight formes, a line of type dropped out before reaching the printing machines. The result was that one-eighth of the edition of 100,000 copies would have had the line missing. The error was noticed before even the large majority of the copies had been bound.

COLOURED STREET LIGHTS WARNING

The Ministry of Transport has delegated to a departmental committee the question of standardising special street lights at danger points.

The R.A.C. drew their attention to a Midland town's experiment of illuminating streets by mercury-vapour lamps, giving a bluish light, and lighting crossings and corners with orange-coloured sodium lamps.

They suggested uniformity in lighting colour if the scheme was adopted in other centres, so that there would be no confusion.

News from the producing mines is very satisfactory, but gold price rumours and the weakness in overseas financial centres has discouraged investors.

Closing comment. Hong Kong—Quiet and inactive. Manila—steady, after liquidation.

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BRITAIN AND U.S.

The Imperial Chemical Industries functions so importantly in the complete picture of British industrial enterprise that the views of its chairman warrant the closest study and attention. At the annual meeting of the giant combine on Thursday, Lord McGowan departed from the optimistic outlook that has become the orthodox pattern of directors' speeches of late and sounded two warnings. One that the present wave of prosperity, in his view, is evanescent. Secondly, that the monetary stability which is essential to a more genuine improvement of the situation is still absent from world management. The prime necessity under both heads, a clear and unmistakable economic understanding between Britain and the United States, is still lacking.

The speech at once raises the issue whether that necessary understanding cannot be established. If we are to judge from America's contributions to the pourparlers, Washington is waiting only for an opportunity for an exchange of concrete proposals. President Roosevelt has asked for "direct dealing and co-operation" to obtain a solution of the world's problems. Early this year Mr. Runciman went to Washington and conferred with the President and Mr. Cordell Hull. A few weeks ago the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, spent some time in general discussions with President Roosevelt.

To consider them as negotiations would be a delusion. They have all been informal, discursive and exploratory. Mr. Runciman and Mr. Mackenzie King, however, emphasised that they found at Washington the friendliest feeling towards both Canada and Great Britain, and it is admitted that in the Canadian Minister's talks, they discussed not only the problems of the American continent but the European situation. Trade relations were the primary purpose of Mr. Runciman's journey to Washington. He was very cautious in reporting the results of

his conversations, but he has hinted that economic co-operation between ourselves and the United States was facilitated. Mr. Cordell Hull went a good deal further, adding to Mr. Runciman's statement that the general objectives of both countries were the same. A declaration of "agreement in principle" and an assurance that every phase of spade work on a trade treaty is now being pressed on. In any such agreement between Great Britain and the United States the relations of Canada with both parties must be an important factor.

There is a greater issue in which Canada is a bond or a bridge between the United States and the British Commonwealth of Nations. Mr. Runciman has stated that he found President Roosevelt as convinced as our own Government that the promotion of international trade is the key to the peace of the world. The President has himself appealed for the lowering of trade barriers as a means to peace. Traditional American conviction of the excellence of isolation, economic and political, renewed and intensified by the Great War, has of late begun to yield to the overwhelming evidence that, in the modern world, full prosperity is not possible to any nation standing alone and that the rigours of economic nationalism make for war. Mr. Cordell Hull has been reminding his countrymen that, however austere the neutrality of the United States, in a war between great nations they must suffer grave injury. Recent events have shown as clearly to Americans as to other nations the danger of becoming involved in a conflict, though remote from national interest, once it has broken out. The greatest force which can be exerted to maintain peace is in measures for the prosperity and content of the world. It may be hoped that those American commentators judge aright who interpret the recent exchanges as a stage towards the full co-operation of the United States and the British Empire in a common effort for peace.

Coronation Envoys

London is beginning to get the Coronation atmosphere. The carpenters and their up-to-date associates who make geometrical figures with hollow iron poles have been busy providing the framework to the spectacle. But a framework wears a bleak, forbidding look in a north-east wind, and leaves the spectator cold. Much warmer is the reception given to the contingents and delegations and notable world leaders and rulers from overseas who are beginning to arrive. The keenest interest has been aroused by the military contingents from the four corners of the Empire. They will number 1,641, all told, when the last of the Dominion and Colonial troops are assembled. Those who remember Queen Victoria's first Jubilee, just half a century ago, will recall the thrill which the first sight of Colonial troops — they were all Colonials then — gave to London. The Great War familiarised a later generation with the sight, but familiarity does not dull the edge of welcome. It is as hearty as ever and as genuine.

To-Day (Weather Permitting)

'ENGLAND REVOLTS!'

A REVOLUTION has been arranged, and will within a few hours (G.M.T.), take place. Get a good place in the crowd, because you're not going to see anything like it again until May 1, 1938.

Reds, pinks and variegated champions of the crimson crusade to-day start beating drums, shouting slogans, blowing fifes and punching the haunches of class-conscious police horses.

Deepest-dyed Reds start nose-thumbing capitalist bogy-men. Socialist groups, less Red but more cautious, present their ballyhoo.

Britain's annual Bastille-storming has several delightful highlights—only Moscow, spiritual home of the slogan-shouters, doesn't know what to make of the British effort.

They blame British weather and the cunning of capitalistic cops, who

only yawn in the face of world revolution spectre, that our annual revolution is just a damp squib.

Some years back Moscow revolutionaries were more optimistic about the prospects of a British flame-up. They wrote in their newspapers this instruction to the seething British Reds:—

"Millions of workers and peasants must join in the revolutionary battles. The First of May must become a revolutionary attack on the

Which consists of the slogan-shouters, inscription-scrawlers, trouble-makers and horse-punchers.

Now sloganising in the cause of the great revolution has become a fine art. It is not enough to scrawl any slogan on a wall.

It is easy enough to scribble "down with mosley" on a public-house facade. But it is generally conceded the Lenin touch alone can put over with grace and effectiveness that grand Lansbury phrase:

I mean, it's rather absurd to urge Britain to war while the man on the next soap-box is calling down the vengeance of just heaven upon the heads of the men who are advocating increased armaments for Britain.

And even the cleverest Danton of the annual revolution cannot reconcile his praise of Russia's Air Force and Army with the routine condemnation of capitalist arms kings.

That's what makes the 1937 revolution such grand fun.

As a loyal believer in Britain's annual revolt I have attended quite a few May Day demonstrations.

And when the speakers have finished talking about the inevitable change which must overtake our present system I talk it all over with my unfailing authority.

You ought to meet him some time. His name is Herbert, and he is the only man who dares to rear the banner of capitalism in the heart of revolt.

He sells peanuts to our Dantons and Robespierres. . . . At twopence a packet.

Which represents a triumph of capitalism that is completely acceptable to the comrades of the great Red Dawn. Especially when they're tired of the speeches.

And that, friends, seems to prove something or other.

By Cyril James

Imperialists. It must be a day of hard fighting. Close the ranks of the revolutionary battalions."

The ranks of the British revolutionary battalions were closed so successfully that only 2,000 of the peasants (and workers) marched through London.

The leading phalanx of "Red Army" comrades in breeches, red shirts and faces was much admired.

Even more admired was the escort of 2,000 rather blase policemen. One to each comrade.

The provincial branches of the annual revolt are much more rhetorically interesting though slightly less picturesque.

The Hyde Park restraint of Attlee and Lansbury doesn't go down in the provinces.

Once the Kentish miners, eager for a new world system, rang the bells of the village church. But it didn't seem to help very much.

You must appreciate that the lack of an inspiring anthem seriously delays the fall of the capitalist system. Even really talented accordion players have confessed the lack of zip which a spirited rendition of the "Internationale" yields.

Anyway, the May Day cavalcade goes in something like this order.

First, the Oxford and Cambridge Communist undergraduates. Their slogan, some time ago, was: "We won't fight for King or country." Several ex-Servicemen, knowing the physical requirements of the Army, thought that this was more of a prophecy than a slogan.

So the slogan was dropped.

Then the theorists.

Men and women who have waded through Marx. After ploughing through this they think they deserve a little recognition.

They get it—but not from the militant spear-head of the party.

Pepper And Salt

Quite a few European countries have such complete confidence in their fortifications they are beginning to express willingness to send delegates to peace conferences.

These radios are a wonderful invention. You turn on a popular comedian and when he begins to sound funny, you know you've had enough.

Then there is that wise married couple who forgot their differences, and decided to start life anew by burning all their bridge prizes behind them.

And we often wonder where our cookboy gets the ashes he sprinkles on the sidewalk.

Simile: As brief as Salvation Army band practice.

The meek are not only inheriting the earth but in some countries they are even getting their faces pushed into it.

And, if universal peace ever is established, two-thirds of the world is going to get caught entirely unprepared for it.

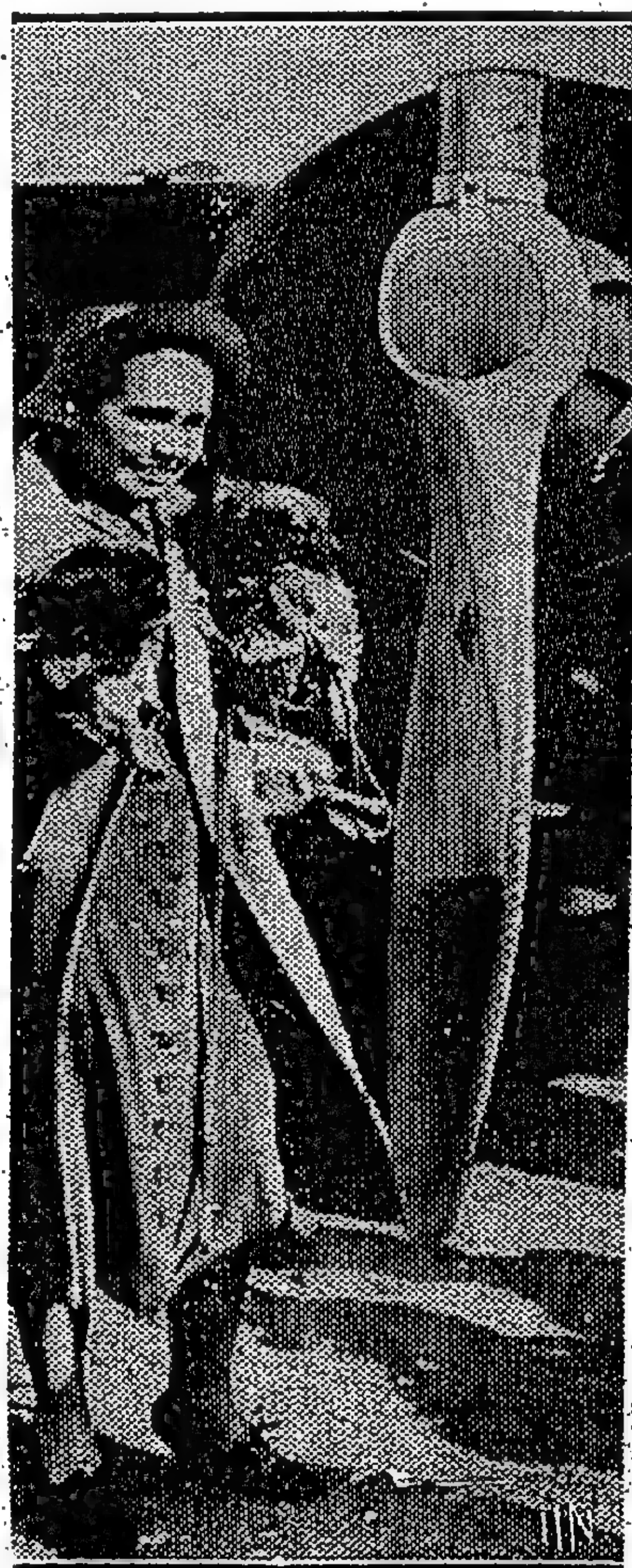
One real estate developer has got a new colony of houses going up. Things are moving along so fast that he is digging cellars at one end of the development—and foreclosing mortgages at the other.

But we must admit the radio industry is doing very well despite the activities of its two natural enemies—static and programme directors.

Cook
by
Gas



A scene from the imaginative film "The Green Pastures," which has its first showings in Hong Kong at the King's Theatre tomorrow.



You've probably never seen anything like this before. It is a propeller made with one blade, and is the invention of a Baltimore man named Frank Everts. Everts is confident the invention will prove a success and the new type blade will be thoroughly tested in a coast-to-coast flight. Beside the machine is the inventor's wife.

FREE STATE FRAMES

CURIOUSLY WORDED PREAMBLE TO HISTORIC ACT

Dublin, To-day.

The bicameral (two legislative chamber) system is to be restored in the Irish Free State under the new Constitution issued yesterday, which the President, Mr. Eamonn de Valera, will submit to the country at the coming general election.

A SECOND CHAMBER WILL BE FORMED ON A VOCATIONAL BASIS.

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The name of the Free State will be altered to Eire.

A striking preamble to the Constitution reads:

"In the name of the most Holy Trinity, wherefrom is all authority . . . we people of Eire humbly acknowledge our obligations to the Divine Lord Jesus Christ who sustained our fathers through centuries of trial, gratefully remembering their heroic struggle to regain the rightful independence of our nation . . . so that the dignity and freedom of the individual may be assured, a true social order attained, the unity of our country restored and concord established with other nations, do give ourselves this Constitution."

The Articles of the Constitution state that the national territory consists of the whole of Ireland, its islands and territorial seas, but pending establishment of jurisdiction over the whole thereof, parlia-

mentary laws will apply to the Irish Free State area.

NEW FLAG

The flag will be green, white and orange.

The primary official language will be Irish and the secondary English.

The President will be elected by popular vote for a period of seven years.

The Senate will be composed of 60 members, of which the Premier will nominate eleven, the National University will elect three, Trinity College three and the Dail 43. — Reuter.

General's Death

Shanghai, To-day.

It is officially reported that General Yan Hau-ou, Commander of the 34th Army, passed away in Taiyuan, Shansi Province, on Thursday.—Our Own Correspondent.

Mother of T



Mrs. Truman E. Keller of Bessemer, Ala., is proud of her two sons, the youngest of whom is 18. Keller's husband is 28. The



Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, spent Easter Monday on the White House lawn, in which she made the occasion a gala one, and the velvet hidden by the number of happy



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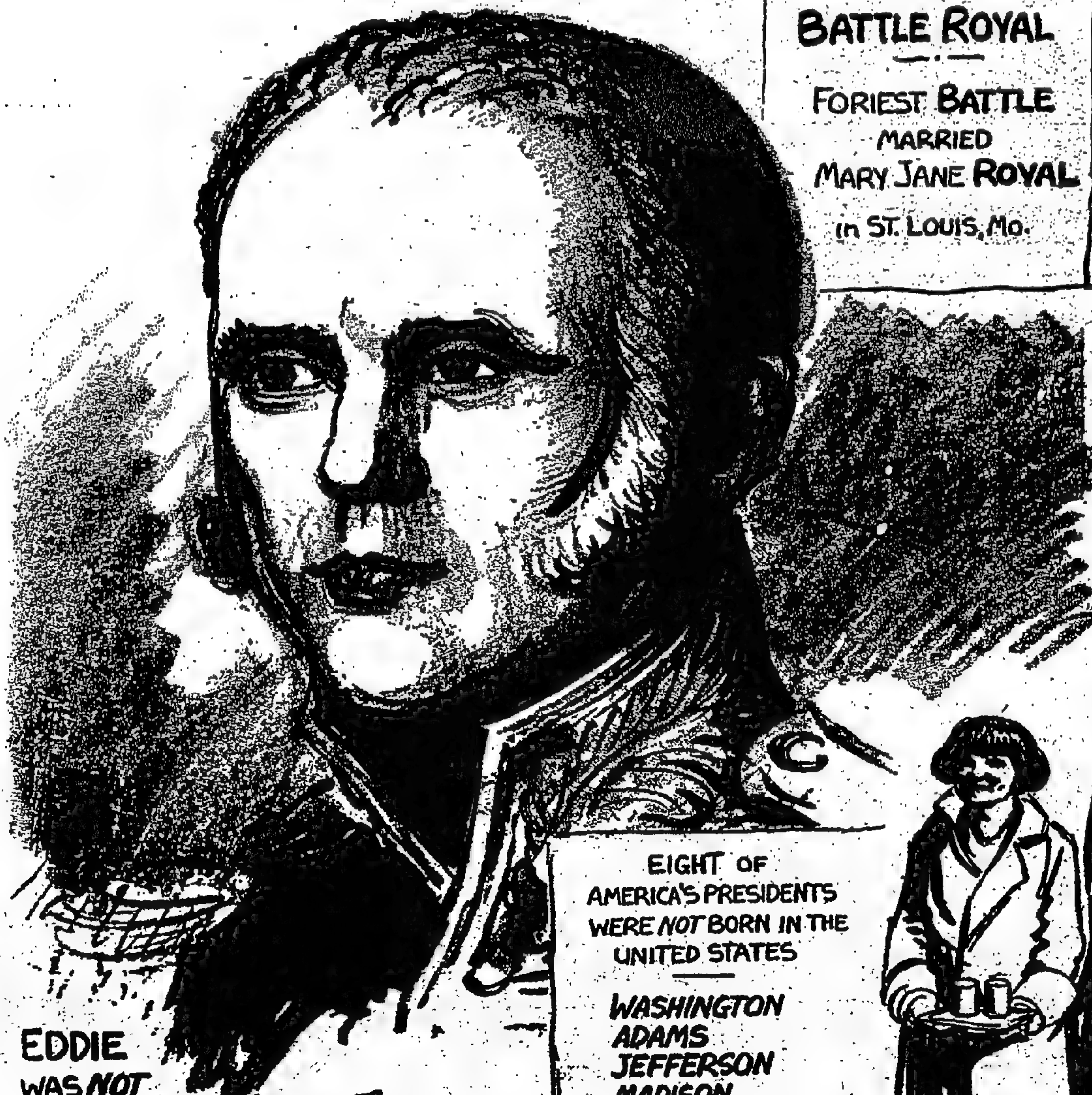
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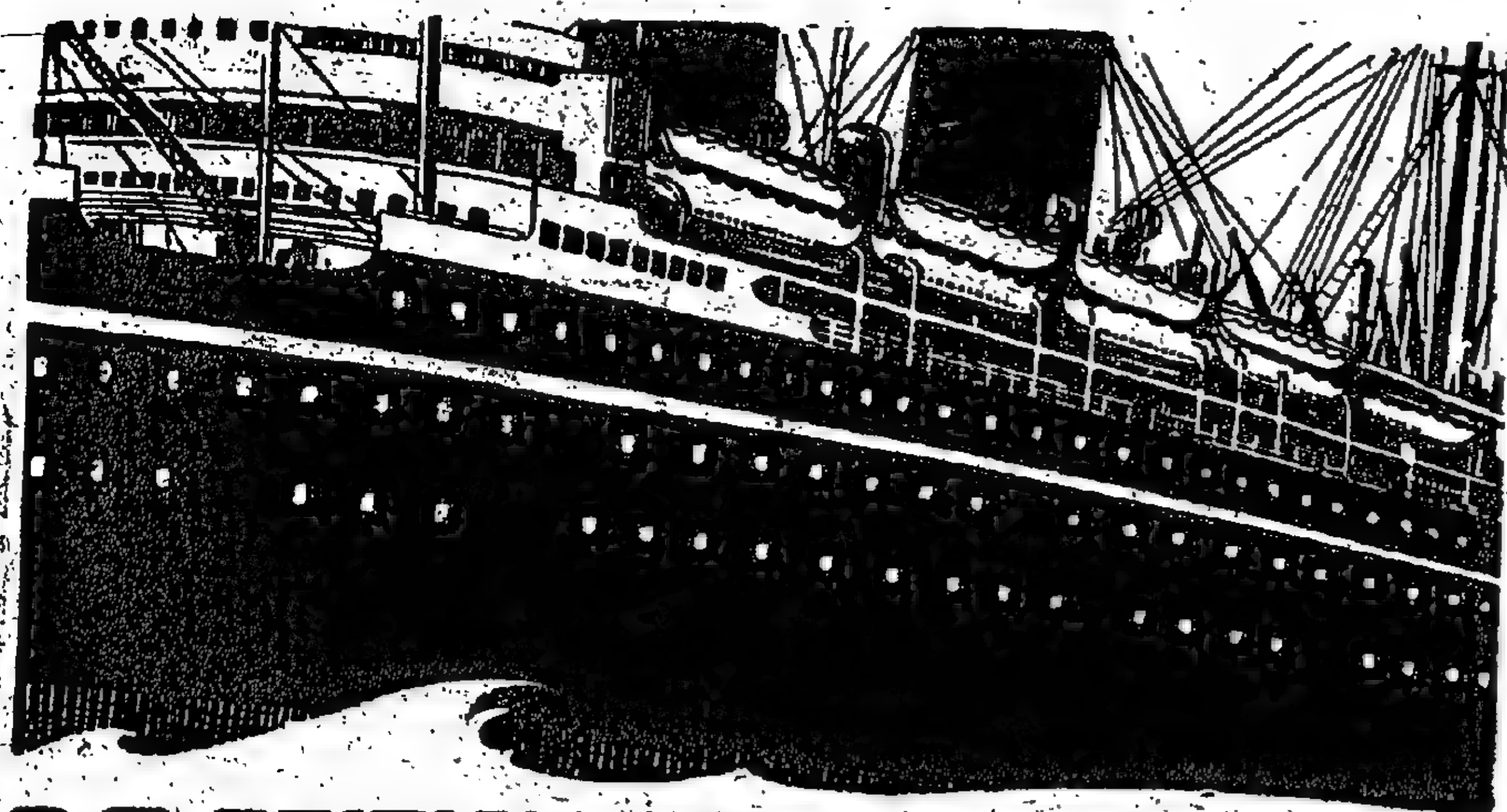
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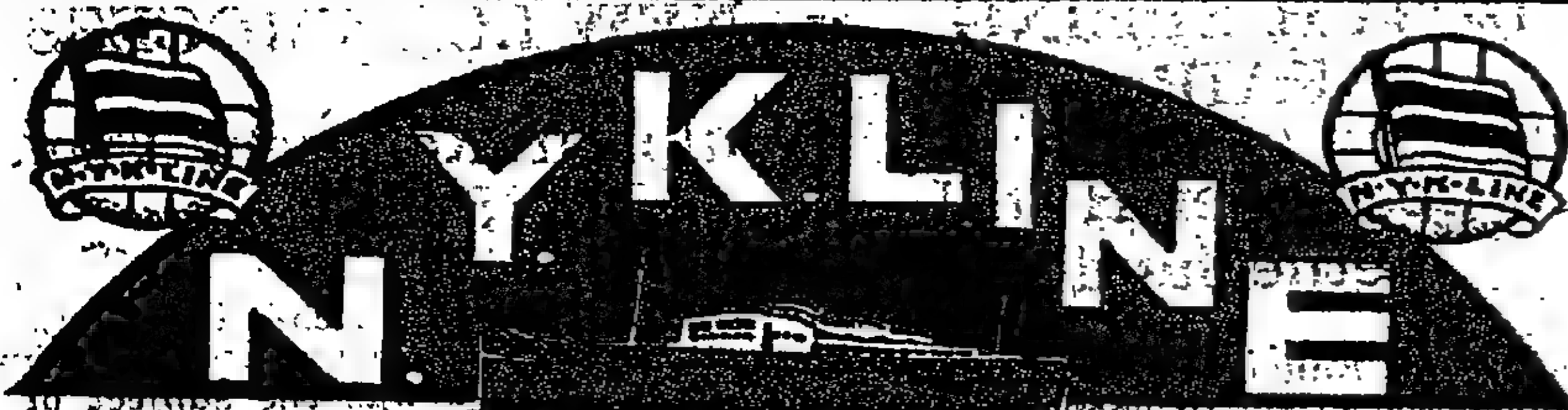
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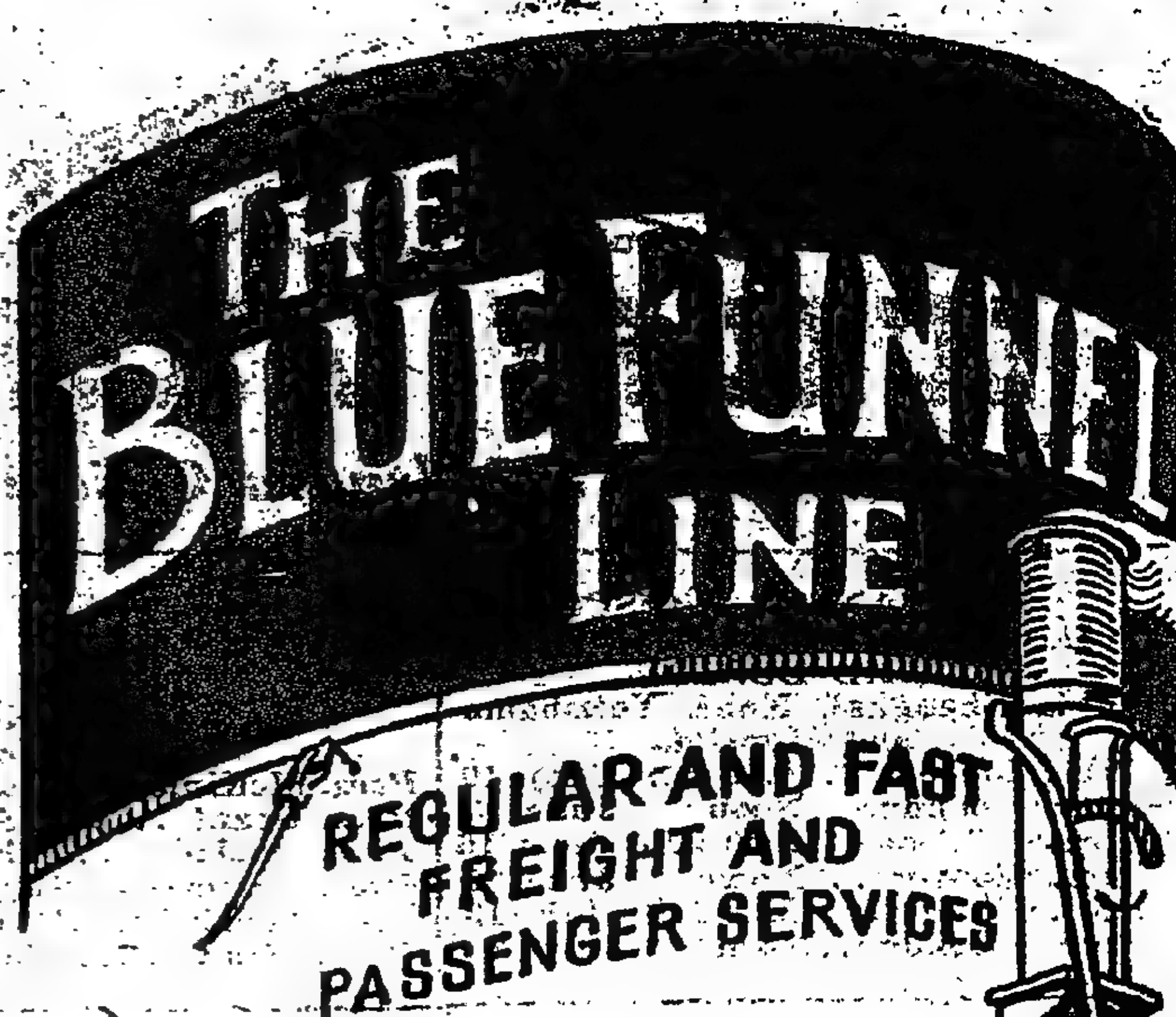


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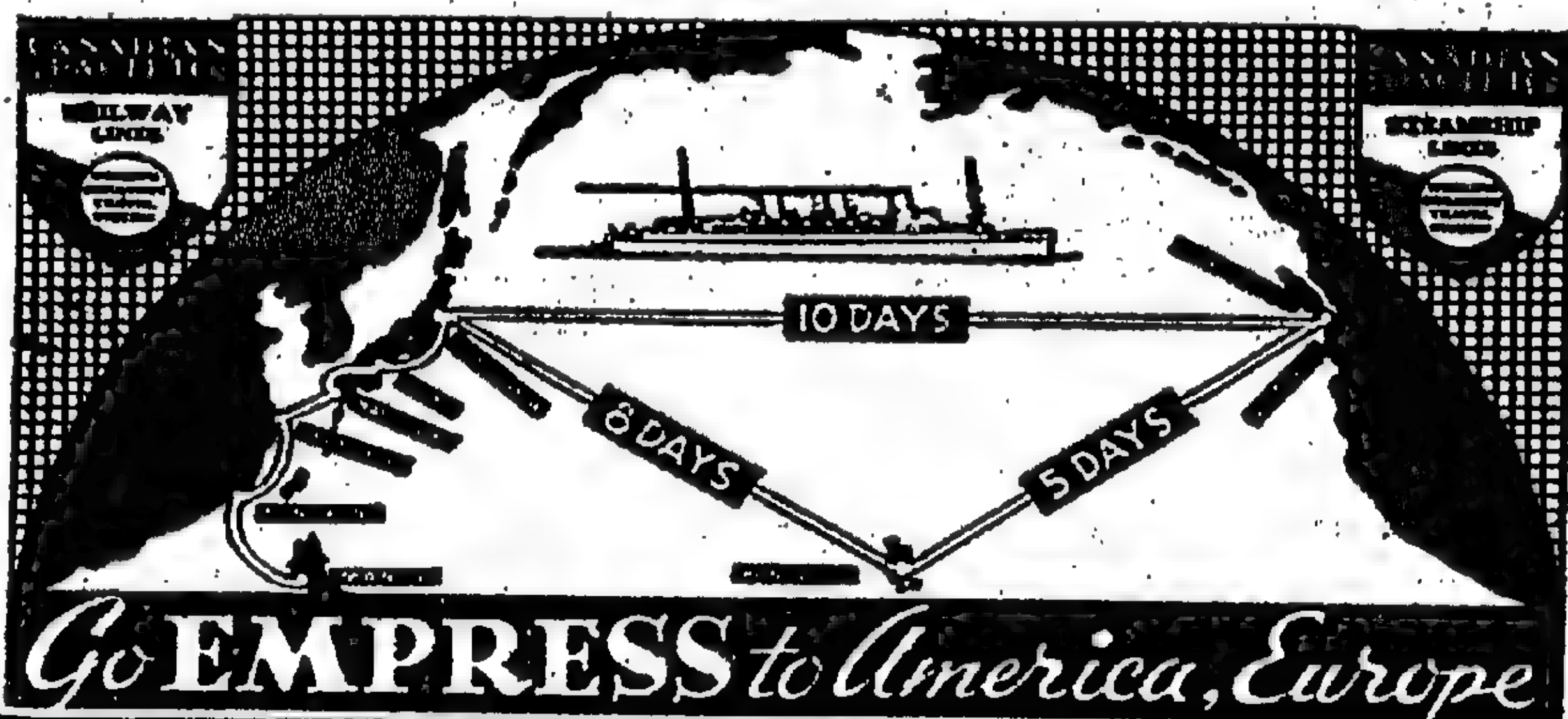
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The Spring Fair of 1937 was the first fair since the crisis to show a distinct tendency towards improved economical conditions noticeable in this country. There was an important increase in participants to such an extent that the available space proved insufficient and many applicants had to be turned down. The Fair had 1,779 participants as compared with 1,645 during the Fair of 1936 and actually was the largest Fair ever held in the Netherlands.

As the sections of metalware, machinery and electrical implements are constantly growing larger, the Fair's Management has decided to have a special hall built for machinery, adjoining the permanent Fair building. The section "Applied art in industry" drew special attention. Only manufacturers producing quality goods in co-operation with well-known artists were allowed to join this section.

Belgium, Germany, France and Austria were represented by official and collective sections.

Participation spread over the different nationalities was as follows:

The Netherlands 1369, United States of America 17, Belgium 46, Denmark 2, Germany 149, Great Britain 42, France 78, Italy 1, Norway 1, Austria 53, Czechoslovakia 4, Sweden 2, Switzerland 8.

Improved Conditions

The improved economical conditions manifested themselves in all participating groups. Roughly speaking the average percentage of the turn-over was 25 per cent. higher and the number of visitors increased by about the same percentage.

Much business was transacted in the groups of food-stuffs, luxury and household-goods, glassware, earthenware, kitchen-utensils, furniture etc. This increase in business—according to retailer—is the result of a more favourable trend in the export-industries—shipbuilding, machinery, textiles—so that the public as a whole in their opinion will have more purchasing power before long.

In the building and road-building section business was also brisk, for one thing because of the higher prices for factory-buildings and for another because state, county and municipal councils have large programmes for important works, partly under construction and partly to be started in the near future.

From abroad keen interest was also shown, as a result of which important orders for foreign account have been booked. The colonial section, both for the East and West Indies specially drew attention to colonial industry and wood from the Netherlands Indies. Generally speaking the tendency was towards higher prices and a steady demand was noticeable for higher priced quality-goods.

The 37th Royal Netherlands Industries Fair—at the same time Agra-

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Sulphur Recovery From Smoke

The discovery of a cheap and economical way to extract pure sulphur smelter fumes was the subject of a lecture given by Mr. M. P. Applebey, research manager at the Billingham works of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., to the Newcastle section of the Society of Chemical Industry.

The new process has been evolved out of research undertaken independently by Imperial Chemical Industries and the Swedish firm of Bolidens Gruvaktiebolag. Its importance may be gauged from the estimate that, throughout the world, approximately 2,000,000 tons of sulphur are discharged into the atmosphere every year by smelter furnaces.

It is claimed that the process will contribute to the health of the industrial communities of the world by removing a large amount of the pollution of the air.

Great Britain has at present to import all her sulphur requirements. Sulphur is necessary to the rearmament programme, and a reliable source of home supply would therefore add considerably to British national self-sufficiency. In the first stage the process can be employed to give concentrated sulphur dioxide, which commands a ready sale in liquid form, and sulphur dioxide can be extracted from almost all waste smelter gases. The gas can then be treated to produce pure sulphur if required.

An experimental plant has been in intermittent operation at Billingham for several years, and now gives continuous production of 20 tons of sulphur dioxide gas per day. This gas is treated in a plant having a daily output of five to six tons of high-quality sulphur. The new process may yet be applied to the extraction of sulphur from coal. If only a quarter of the sulphur from this source were saved, a quantity exceeding the world's output of native sulphur would become available.

By crossing primitive breeds of cattle, Berlin Zoo authorities have produced a small herd of "Aurochs," or European bison, animals long extinct in Germany.

A river steamship service from Königsberg, East Prussia, via the Polish Corridor to Berlin and then to Magdeburg, in Central Germany and Breslau in Silesia, has been opened.

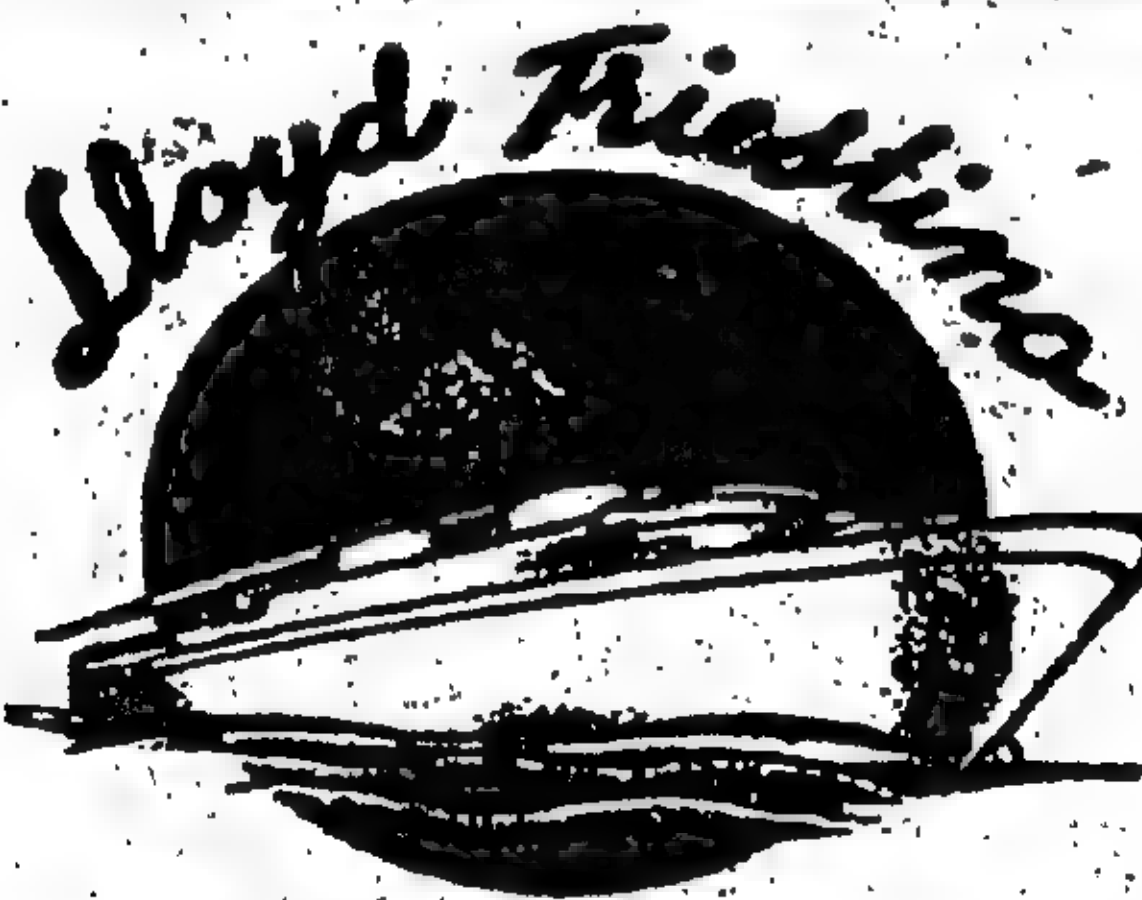
Mr. De Valera laid a wreath on the grave, in Arbour Hill Prison, Dublin, of the leaders of the Easter rebellion in 1916.

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H. K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

Orders by Lieut. Colonel R. C. B. Anderson, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps on Friday, 30th April, 1937.

APPOINTMENT

His Excellency The Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to approve of the grant of a Commission to Mr. Frederick Anselm Redmond, B.Sc., D.I.C., as Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from 30th April, 1937.

CORONATION PARADE

The third practice for this parade will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 3rd May.

Dress—Muffi with Sun helmets. Rifles and Side arms. All full attendance is expected.

EFFICIENCY BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Efficiency Board will be held at Corps H.Q. at 5.45 p.m. on Tuesday, 4th May. Officers Commanding Units are required to attend as follows:—Corps 1st Battery, A & L Sections; No. 2 Improved Battery (M Section); Corps Engineers; Corps Signals; Machine Gun Troop; M.M.G. Platoon; No. 1 (M.G.) Company; No. 2 (Scottish) Company; M.G. Bn. Signals; Corps Infantry.

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PARADE

Corps 1st Battery—A & L Section. Battery will parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, May 6th for Arms and Squad Drill.

Range Finding & Layers Classes. At Belchers Fort on Sunday, May 2nd at 9.30 a.m.

No. 2 Improved Battery (M Section). There will be no parade on Wednesday, May 5th. Next parade for Layers and Trainers—Wednesday May 19th.

Corps Engineers. Monday, 3rd May. Practice parade for Coronation at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Corps Signals. Parade at Corps H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 4th May. Machine Gun Troop. Parade at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday 4th May at Causeway Bay Stables—Riding School.

Armoured Car Section. Parade at H.Q. on Tuesday, 4th May at 5.30 p.m. for Crew Drill and Driving Instruction. Motor Machine Gun Platoon. Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 3rd May in the Lecture Room.

(a) Corpl. Peers will give a lecture on "Motor Cycles and Combinations—Riding, Care and Maintenance". All ranks are particularly requested to attend this lecture.

(b) A meeting of all N.C.O.s. will be held directly after Corpl. Peers' lecture. All N.C.O.s. are expected to attend. No. 1 (M.G.) Company. There will be no parade on Friday, 7th May.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company. (a) All ranks taking part in the Coronation Review will parade at Corps H.Q. on Monday, 3rd May at 5.30 p.m. Dress multi. Belt, Side Arms and Sun helmets. (b) There will be no Company parade on Thursday, 6th May.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company. (a) Those representing the Company on the Coronation parade will parade at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 3rd May. Dress—Muffi and Sun Helmets. Rifle and Side Arms. (b) The remainder will parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, May 3rd for Musketry Instruction. Recruits for Foot and Arms Drill. Dress—Muffi with Rifle, no belt or sling.

Machine Gun Bn. Signals. Monday, May 3rd. Subsection D parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Revolver firing on Kennedy Road Range. Wednesday, May 5th. Subsections B & C parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. Miniature Range.

Corps Infantry. Members who are attending the Coronation parade should look up Corps Orders to see on what dates the practice parades are held and turn up accordingly.

There will be no Tuesday evening parades until further notice.

Air Arm. Tuesday, 4th. May. Lecture at Kai Tak at 5.30 p.m. Army Service Corps Company. Parade at 5.30 p.m. at Star Ferry, Kowloon on Thursday, 6th. May for "Reconnaissance of Key Points (Mainland)" by Lieut. E. H. Reeder, R.A.S.C. It would be of assistance, if as many private cars as possible could be brought.

Medical Section. Parade at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 3rd May, in the Miniature Range.

Promotion and Appointment. The following promotions and appointments are made in the M. G. Troop w.e.f. 30.4.37. No. 1611 Sgt. G. P. Ferguson to be Sergeant Major vice C. S. M. R. H. G. Charles. No. 1706 A/Cpl. B. C. Field to be Sergeant vice Sgt. Fer-

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject Everlasting Punishment

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all churches of Christ, Scientist, tomorrow, May 2, will be: "Everlasting Punishment." The Golden Text will be: "Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed." (Proverbs 13.21)

Among others the following citations from the Bible will be read: "Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches. And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk. And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked. (John 5:2, 5-9).

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passages from the Christian Science Textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Healing the sick and reforming the sinner are one and the same thing in Christian Science. Both cures require the same method and are inseparable in Truth. Hatred, envy, dishonesty, fear, and so forth, make a man sick, and neither material medicine nor Mind can help him permanently, even in body, unless it makes him better mentally, and so delivers him from his destroyers. The basic error is mortal mind. Hatred inflames the brutal propensities. The indulgence of evil motives and aims makes any man, who is above the lowest type of manhood, a hopeless sufferer. Christian Science commands man to master the propensities,—to hold hatred in abeyance with kindness, to conquer lust with chastity, revenge with charity, and to overcome deceit with honesty. Choke these errors in their early stages, if you would not cherish an army of conspirators against health, happiness, and success. Include moral as well as physical belief in your efforts to destroy error. Cast out all manner of evil. "Preach the gospel to every creature. "Speak the truth to every form of error." (Pages 404 and 418).

guson. No. 1761 Tpr. F. G. Nigel to be Corporal vice Cpl. Field. No. 2559 Tpr. J. F. Pym to be Lance Corporal.

Transfer. No. 1674 Sgt. M. R. Deb is transferred from Medical Section to Corps Headquarters. w.e.f. 30.4.37. No. 2532 Gnr. J. M. Milne, is transferred from 1st Battery, A Section to M. M. G. Platoon w.e.f. 30.4.37.

AFFILIATED UNIT NURSING DETACHMENT, H.K.V.D. CORPS

Examination. The Examination in Home Nursing will be held at the P. W. D. offices on Monday, 3rd. May at 5.30 p.m.

Resignation. Mrs. D. G. Stapleton w.e.f. 26.4.37.

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ALL 1937 RACING TIMES TO DATE

INVALUABLE GUIDE TO FORM AT VALLEY FOR JOCKEY CLUB SEASON

The following are the summarised results of all official races at the Valley, the abbreviation A.M. standing for Annual Meeting and the figure following being the first, second, third, fourth or fifth day and 1st E for First Extra etc.:

China Ponies

HALF A MILE

1.00.2—Araxy (Marshall, 155); 2 National Anthem (H. C. Pih, 155); 3, Inca (Frost, 155). 1½ lengths and 1½. A.M. 1.

0.59.3—Lancashire Tich (H. M. Pih, 152); 2, Atomic Star (Ip Kui-ying, 152); 3, Aramis (Frost, 157). Neck and length. A.M. 1.

FIVE FURLONGS
1.09.2 (equals record)—Bear Claw (Frost, 161); 2, Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih, 161); 3, Gladiator (Needa, 158). 1½ lengths and short head. A.M. 1.

1.14.1—Rose Evelyn (Frost, 159); 2, Stopwatch (S. C. Liang, 152); 3, Racing Boy (Ip Kui-ying, 155). 3 lengths and 2. 1st E.

1.14.1—National Faith (S. W. Tang, 149); 2, Declasse (Poy, 153); 3, Happy Venture (Yuen, 152). 1½ lengths and 1. 2nd E. (2nd).

SIX FURLONGS
1.28.0—Expansion Time (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Potentate (Leighton, 158); 3, Thunder Bay (Frost, 161). 1½ lengths and 1½. A.M. 1.

1.31.3—Pagan Love (Marshall, 155); 2, Gordito (Sung, 158); 3, Mariposa (Deitz, 152). ½ length and neck. A.M. 1.

1.32.2—Atomic Star (Ip Kui-ying, 152); 2, Happy Venture (Harris, 147); 3, Election Day (Frost, 155). Length and ½. A.M. 4.

1.27.1—Oak Bay (Davis, 161); 2, Mistake Bay (Frost, 161); 3, Rose-Queen (S. C. Liang, 158). 2 lengths and short head. 1st E.

1.29.3—Amberley (Fung, 143); 2, Royal Highness (Deitz, 158); 3, Ythan (Black, 168). ½ and 1½ 2nd E. (1st).

1.34.3—Whalsey (Gregory, 144); 2, Clownner (Deitz, 146); 3, Happy Venture (Harris, 145). Short head and 2 lengths. 2nd E. (1st).

1.28.0—Booat Bay (Black, 154); 2, Pontiac Bay (Davis, 147); 3, Kum Shan (H. C. Pih, 161). Neck and 2 lengths. 2nd E. (1st).

1.24.3 (record)—King's Warden (S. C. Liang, 168); 2, Oak Bay (Davis, 141); 3, Gladiator (Deitz, 153). One length and ½. 2nd E. (1st).

1.27.3—King's Justice (Yuen, 135); 2, Rose-Queen (Deitz, 155); 3, Red Feather (Black, 150). Length and 2. 2nd E. (2nd).

1.29.4—Wild Cat (S. Y. Liang, 165); 2, Gold Coin (S. W. Tang, 145); 3, Plain View (Davis, 160). 2 lengths and 1. 2nd E. (2nd).

1.32.1—Racing Boy (S. C. Liang, 162); 2, Atomic Star (Ip, 145); 3, Coronation Day (S. Y. Liang, 159). 2 lengths and 1. 2nd E. (2nd).

1.27.3—Vira (S. C. Liang, 156); 2, Scenic View (S. Y. Liang, 151); 3, Kum Shan (Deitz, 163). 3 lengths and 1½. 3rd E.

1.32.0—Whalsey (Proulx, 155); 2, Helephant (S. C. Liang, 149); 3, Shipmaster (K. I. Ip, 156). Length and 1. 3rd E.

SEVEN FURLONGS

1.50.2—Flying Arrow (S. C. Liang, 152) and Helephant (Leighton, 150); 3, Mariposa (Deitz). Dead heat and 2 lengths. A.M. 2.

1.40.2—Kum Shan (Yuen, 154); 2, Rob Roy (Poy, 157); 3, Centre Forward (Chin, 153). Neck and 3. 1st E.

7 FURLONGS 49 YARDS
1.48.4—Wild Life (Frost, 161); 2, Rose-Queen (Leighton, 158); 3, Tyne (Black, 161). 2 lengths and 2. A.M. 4.

ONE MILE

2.00.0—New Star (Pote-Hunt, 168); 2, Harvest View (Sung, 168); 3, Ythan (Hearne, 153). 1½ lengths and 1½. A.M. 2.

1.56.1—Bear Claw (Frost, 161); 2, Gladiator (Needa, 158); 3, Cossack's



Beauty (Wong, 161). 3 lengths and 2. A.M. 2.

2.01.1—Bistre (H. C. Pih, 158); 2, Wild Cat (Wong, 162); 3, Rose Evelyn (Leighton, 165). 3 lengths and 1½. A.M. 2.

2.00.1—Red Feather (Frost, 158); 2, Potentate (Leighton, 153); 3, Scenic View (Wong, 161). 2 lengths and one. A.M. 2.

2.07.3—Mariposa (Deitz, 152); 2, Prospero (Needa, 152); 3, Tze Tin (D. S. Li, 161). Short head and short head. A.M. 3.

2.05.2—Coronation Day (Frost, 155); 2, Araxy (Sung, 162); 3, Atomic Star (Ip Kui-ying, 152). 3 lengths and many lengths. A.M. 3.

2.00.1—Thunder Bay (Frost, 161); 2, Kum Shan (H. M. Pih, 158); 3, Centre Forward (D. S. Li, 161). 2 lengths and 1. A.M. 3.

2.01.1—Booat Bay (Hearne, 144); 2, Wild Life (Black, 149); 3, Rose-Queen (Leighton, 155). Head and short head. A.M. 3.

2.02.3—Royal Highness (Harris, 160); 2, Amberley (Gregory, 147); 3, Flybynight (Akroyd-Hunt, 150). Neck and 2 lengths. A.M. 4.

1.59.1—Havoc Eve (D. S. Li, 168); 2, Red Feather (Frost, 165). Many lengths. Only two starters. A.M. 4.

2.00.1—Potentate (Leighton, 158); 2, Scenic View (Wong, 161); 3, Laughing Cavalier (Deitz, 161). 2½ lengths and 2. A.M. 4.

2.02.0—Tiny Star (D. S. Li, 155); 2, Rose Evelyn (Leighton, 159); 3, Racing Boy (Ip Kui-ying, 145). 1 length and 3. A.M. 4.

1.57.0—Gladiator (Marshall, 158); 2, Honeymoon Eve (Needa, 161); 3, Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih, 161). 2 lengths and short head. A.M. 4.

2.07.2—Shipmaster (H. M. Pih, 161); 2, Radium (Y. T. Fung, 155); 3, Weedon Seat (S. C. Liang, 158). One length and 1½. A.M. 5.

2.07.1—Tempest (Wong, 152); 2, Whalsey (Hearne, 155); 3, Prospero (Needa, 152). Head and 2 lengths. A.M. 5.

2.00.1—King's Coronation (Marshall, 147); 2, Rob Roy (Leighton, 153); 3, Centre Forward (D. S. Li, 158). Neck and one length. A.M. 5.

2.05.2—Pagan Love (S. C. Liang, 153); 2, Gordito (H. C. Pih, 163); 3, Whalsey (Gregory, 146). Short head and 2. 1st E.

2.10.4—Feudal Knight (Ip Kui-ying, 161); 2, Mac's Adventure (Wood, 147); 3, Persian Cat (S. Y. Liang, 152). Short head and short head. 1st E.

2.05.0—Sylvandale (Ralph, 164); 2, Plain View (S. Y. Liang, 150); 3, Laughing Buddha (Deitz, 149). Neck and half length. 2nd E. (1st).

2.01.2—Apilas (S. C. Liang, 148); 2, Rob Roy (Deitz, 158); 3, Commencement Bay (Black, 154). 2 lengths and 2. 2nd E. (1st).

2.06.1—Stopwatch (S. C. Liang, 159); 2, Pagan Love (H. C. Pih, 158); 3, Racing Boy (Ip, 157). 1½ lengths and neck. 2nd E. (1st).

1.54.3—Bear Claw (Black, 160); 2, Happy Eve (Deitz, 150); 3, King's Warden (S. C. Liang, 160). Length and 2. 2nd E. (2nd).

2.00.3—Amberley (Y. T. Fung, 140); 2, Pontiac Bay (Davis, 152); 3, Royal Highness (Harris, 144). Neck and short head. 3rd E.

2.08.4—Happy Venture (Harris, 143); 2, National Anthem (H. C. Pih, 148); 3, China Clipper (Black, 145).

ONE MILE 171 YARDS

2.10.2—Diana Bay (Frost, 158); 2, Cossack's Beauty (Wong, 161); 3, Honeymoon Eve (Needa, 161). 2 lengths and 5. A.M. 1.

2.18.0—Gordito (Sung, 158); 2, Pagan Love (Marshall, 155); 3, Coronation Day (Frost, 156). Short head and short head. A.M. 2.

2.13.3—Wild Cat (Wong, 162); 2, Rose Evelyn (Leighton, 165); 3, Tiny Star (D. S. Li, 163). One length and 2. A.M. 3.

2.13.1—Red Feather (Frost, 161); 2, Rosemary (Leighton, 161); 3, King's Highway (Marshall, 158). One length and many lengths. A.M. 3.

2.16.3—Night View (Wong, 168); 2, Pride of Tsingtao (Fung, 146); 3, Miracle (D. S. Li). 2 lengths and 1½. A.M. 5.

2.08.2 (equals record)—Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih, 167); 2, Rose-Queen (Deitz, 148); 3, Mistake Bay (Frost, 157). A.M. 5.

2.12.3—Harvest View (Wong, 168); 2, King's Bounty (Davis, 150), and Tyne (Frost, 161). Neck and dead-heat. A.M. 5.

2.10.4—Potentate (Poy, 145); 2, Havoc Eve (Ip, 165); 3, King's Lead (S. C. Liang, 149). Short head and length. 2nd E. (1st).

2.14.1—Soldier of China (S. Y. Liang, 155); 2, Tyne (Black, 168); 3, Bistre (S. W. Tang, 144). Head and ½. 2nd E. (2nd).

2.16.1—Royal Highness (Deitz, 162); 2, Tiny Star (Ip, 158); 3, Night View (Y. T. Fung, 145). Head and 1. 2nd E. (2nd).

2.08.1—Bear Claw (Black, 163); 2, Cossack's Beauty (S. C. Liang, 143); 3, Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih, 143). 1½ lengths and 1. 3rd E.

2.15.3—Laughing Buddha (Poy, 158); 2, Gold Coin (Tang, 158); 3, Diogenes (Harris, 158) and Valorous (Gregory, 165). 2 lengths and 3. 3rd E.

1½ MILES

2.34.4—Havoc Eve (D. S. Li, 161); 2, Commencement Bay (Frost, 161); 3, Rob Roy (Leighton, 161). 2 lengths and 2. A.M. 1.

2.37.0—Night View (Wong, 168); 2, Sylvandale (Frost, 161); 3, Pride of Tsingtao (Y. T. Fung, 158). 3 lengths and 2. A.M. 1.

2.31.3—Dawn Star (D. S. Li, 155); 2, Bright View (Wong, 152); 3, Rose-Queen (Leighton, 155). Head and 1½ lengths. A.M. 2.

2.27.3—King's Warden (Marshall, 163); 2, Bear Claw (Frost, 163); 3, Honeymoon Eve (Needa, 153). 2 lengths and 3. A.M. 3.

2.38.2—Gordito (Sung, 158); 2, Tempest (Wong, 152); 3, Pagan Love (Marshall, 155). 2 lengths and neck. A.M. 3.

2.28.0—Cossack's Beauty (Wong, 151); 2, Gladiator (Needa, 153); 3, Mistake Bay (Hearne, 149). 3 lengths and 5. A.M. 3.

2.28.0—King's Warden (Marshall, 161); 2, Diana Bay (Frost, 158); 3, Cossack's Beauty (Wong, 161). 3 lengths and many. A.M. 4.

2.39.4—Gordito (Sung, 158); 2, Helephant (Needa, 149); 3, Coronation Day (Frost, 155) and Pagan Love (Marshall, 155) dead-heat. 2 lengths and 1½. A.M. 5.

2.32.3—Gladiator (Frost, 158); 2, Soldier of Britain (H. C. Pih, 158); 3, Cossack's Beauty (S. Y. Liang, 158). 1½ lengths and 1½. 1st E.

2.33.3—Soldier of Peace (S. C. Liang, 146); 2, Tyne (Frost, 157); 3, King's Lead (Fung, 150). Head and short head. 1st E.

2.36.1—Rose Evelyn (Deitz, 158); 2, Bistre (H. C. Pih, 165); 3, Tiny Star (Ip, 158). Neck and 3 lengths. 2nd E. (1st).

2.36.2—Commencement Bay (Black, 152); 2, Rob Roy (Deitz, 161); 3, Centre Forward (S. C. Liang, 151). 2 lengths and 1½. 2nd E. (2nd).

2.30.3—New Star (Y. T. Fung, 156); 2, Expansion Time (Proulx, 168); 3, Tyne (Black, 154). 4 lengths and short head. 3rd E.

1½ MILES

3.00.4—Happy Eve (Needa, 158); 2, Expansion Time (Pote-Hunt, 161); 3, Havoc Eve (D. S. Li, 161). Many lengths and 1½. A.M. 2.

3.06.4—King's Warden (Marshall, 161); 2, Wild Life (Frost, 161); 3, Soldier of Peace (F. F. Li, 168). Short head, many lengths. A.M. 1.

3.14.3—Gordito (Sung, 165); 2, Tempest (Wong, 152); 3, Coronation Day (Frost, 160). 3 lengths and 5. A.M. 4.

1½ MILES

3.42.0—King's Warden (Marshall, 161); 2, Wild Life (Frost, 161); 3,

Rapier's Selections For to-day

RACE NO. 1.

SAUCY FACE.
VIOLET QUEEN.
AUSTRALIAN BOY.
Outsider:—SUCH FUN

RACE NO. 2.

SOLDIER OF CHINA.
APILAS.
PONTIAC BAY.
Outsider:—JUNGLE JIM

RACE NO. 3.

HAPPY EVE.
EXPANSION TIME.
HAVOC EVE.
Outsider:—POTENTATE

RACE NO. 4.

TABBY CAT.
NATIONAL ANTHEM.
DECLASSE.
Outsider:—AIR MAIL

RACE NO. 5.

KING'S LEAD.
NEW STAR.
TYNE
Outsider:—SOLDIER OF HONOUR

RACE NO. 6.

LANCASHIRE CHIPS.
HOME BREW.
GYPSY LOVE.
Outsider:—DICK TURPIN

RACE NO. 7.

GOLD COIN.
VALOROUS
ZERO.
Outsider:—DIOGENES

RACE NO. 8.

COMMENCEMENT BAY.
SYLVANDALE.
YTHAN.
Outsider:—NIGHT VIEW

RACE NO. 9.

COPPER IDOL.
PHILANDERER.
HELEPHANT.
Outsider:—CORONATION DAY

DAILY DOUBLE: KING'S LEAD AND GOLD COIN.

Kincora (Yuen, 158). Half length and many. A.M. 2.

Australian Ponies

FIVE FURLONGS

1.03.1—Katinka (Frost, 152); 2, Dick Turpin (Leighton, 155); 3, Baronia Belle (Ralph, 152). 4 lengths and 2. A.M. 3.

1.03.3—Double Finesse (Frost, 155); 2, Honey (Sung, 152); 3, Blandford (Leighton, 152). 3 lengths and 3. A.M. 5.

SIX FURLONGS

1.21.1—Gypsy Love (D. S. Li, 155); 2, Home Brew (H. M. Pih, 152); 3, Such Fun (Y. T. Fung, 152). Half length and 3. A.M. 1.

1.17.4—Lancashire Chips (H. C. Pih, 152); 2, Aztec (Black, 152); 3, Katinka (Frost, 157). 2 lengths and 2. A.M. 1.

1.18.2—Holiday Eve (Marshall, 150); 2, Vixen Tor (Ralph, 150); 3, Derby Day (Frost, 157). 3 lengths and ½. A.M. 3.

1.19.3—Courting Eve (Deitz, 165); 2, Boronia Belle (Ralph, 146); 3, The Right Time (Proulx, 150). 1½ lengths and 1½. 2nd E. (2nd).

ONE MILE

1.46.1—Saucy Face (H. C. Pih, 144); 2, Snowy River (Black, 146); 3, Blandford (Ip Kui-ying, 141) and Violet Queen (S. C. Liang, 150). 3 lengths and 1. A.M. 1.

1.49.0—Llanarmon (Harris, 147); 2, Dick Turpin (Leighton, 155); 3, Such Fun (Frost, 156). 1 length and 3. A.M. 2.

1.48.4—Aztec (Black, 152); 2, Katinka (Frost, 152); 3, Bravado (Tang Man Wa, 155). 4 lengths and (Continued on Page 19)

H. D. RUMJAHN WINS COLONY TITLE

MAMAK HOCKEY SEASON ENDS TO-MORROW

Champions To Meet The Rest

RADIO SHOULD SECURE WIN

(By "ADREM")

The Mamak Hockey Tournament officially winds up its season to-morrow morning, when the annual Champions versus the Rest match will be played on the H.K.S.R.A. ground, on the Marina, commencing at 11 a.m.

Although the Rest team can hardly be considered the strongest combination that could be selected from the talent available among the teams competing in the tournament, it is nevertheless sufficiently powerful to extend the Radio quite considerably.

The committee have selected the eleven more from a representative point of view than that of strength, and as a result there are several obviously weak links.

STRONG DEFENCE

The strength of the Radio team appears to lie in their defence, although the forward line can also be relied upon to score goals.

Provided the heat does not prove too much, a good game should be witnessed.

The following are the teams:—
Champions (Radio Sports Club):—
Rocha; G. E. Clarke and Kaiwant Singh; J. Singh, M. H. Hassan and M. Singh; T. Singh, A. E. P. Guest (Capt.), Awter Singh, J. Wall and K. Singh.

The Rest:—Cpl. Boyd (R.U.R.); Cpl. Ray (R.E.) and E. L. Gosano (Argonauts); Spr. Brown (R.E.), C.Q.M.S. Kerr (R.U.R.) and T. Alves (Argonauts); Sgt. Dandy (R.W.F.), L/Cpl. Cox (R. C. of S.), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), Rfmm. Nolan (R.U.R.) and V. Bond (C.B.A.).

R.H.K.Y.C. CLOSING CRUISE

Rowing Events For To-day

The Closing Cruise of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will be held this afternoon with a very interesting rowing programme, which will include an International Fours Race, and an International Pairs Race, after which the prizes won during the season will be distributed by Mr. H. S. Rouse, commodore of the Club.

Launches will leave Murray Pier at 2 p.m., and the following are the names of the crews for the International events.

CREWS

The following are the names of crews:

INTERNATIONAL PAIRS

Germany
Bow, L. C. Liedke, Stroke, G. Sommer;
England
Bow, J. E. Potter, Stroke, M. W. Scott.

INTERNATIONAL FOURS

Germany
I Rudloff (Bow), L. C. Liedke (2), H. Lange (3), H. O. Buse (Stroke), W. Sporleder (Cox).
England
J. E. Potter (Bow), M. C. Dobbs (2), M. W. Scott (3), D. Lincoln (Stroke), B. S. Carter (Cox).

SCULLING

Heat 1—Scott v. Heywood.
Heat 2—Lincoln v. Buis.

SIRDAR'S AMAZING COLLAPSE

LEADS 3-2 IN FINAL SET AFTER RALLYING

WINNERS FIRST "SINGLES" VICTORY

(By "ADREM")

A GALLANT losing fight by S. A. Rumjahn throughout four sets, culminating in him taking the lead for the first time in the final set at 3-2 only to provide an anti-climax and lose the next four games for the set and the match, against an opponent reputed to have far less staying power than himself, provided spectators with thrilling entertainment on the Stand Court of the Hong Kong C.C. yesterday afternoon, when H. D. Rumjahn, after a career dating as long as most local people can remember, won the singles title for the first time, by scores of 6-3, 6-2, 1-6, 5-7, 6-3.

ON THE DAY'S PLAY, "H. D." WAS A WORTHY WINNER AND IF HE HAD TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF SEVERAL OPPORTUNITIES AT CRUCIAL POINTS OF THE GAME. HE WOULD HAVE WON VERY MUCH EASIER THAN HE DID. I UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, THAT "S. A." INJURED HIS SIDE RATHER BADLY WHILE PARTICIPATING IN A WHEELBARROW RACE IN THE I.R.C. SPORTS LAST SUNDAY. AND ALTHOUGH NOT SERIOUSLY INCONVENIENCED AT THE TIME, HIS MATCH AGAINST FINCHER LAST WEDNESDAY RATHER ACCENTUATED THE STRAIN.

Be this as it may, Sirdar was not the player he was earlier in the week. Admittedly he never had the opportunities against his cousin, that Fincher presented him with, but, nevertheless, although he showed flashes of brilliance, especially at critical periods, he never seemed really sure of himself. I could not help noticing the vast difference in his backhand. Against Fincher, his driving on this wing was so brilliantly consistent that any attempt to make a net advance off a drive to Sirdar's backhand corner was sheer folly. In direct contrast, yesterday he managed to pass "H. D." not more than half-a-dozen times with this stroke, throughout the whole game.

Sirdar started yesterday in exactly the same manner as he did against Fincher, namely, hitting hard at everything and despite a crop of errors, maintaining these tactics, evidently in the hope that he would eventually find his touch and sweep his opponent off the court, as he did Fincher.

Not until he had lost the first two sets very convincingly did he realise the futility of these methods, and for the remainder of the match, except on rare occasions, he concentrated on keeping the ball in play and extending the rallies as much as possible.

GRADUAL RALLY

By these methods he gradually crept up, won the next two sets, was trailing 0-2 in the final set, won the next three games to lead for the first time, and then just collapsed, when to all intents and purposes, "H. D." was thoroughly beaten. The finish was so unexpected and the crowd were so certain that "S. A." was going to win, that they were left absolutely amazed.

At this stage both players were "dead" on their feet and the collapse of either of them would have come as no surprise.

Although he lost, and except on rare occasions played mediocre tennis, Sirdar's display will go down in local tennis history as one of the pluckiest performances ever given.

Not until he was played to a standstill did he "throw in the towel" and to have levelled the scores after being so far in arrears, against an opponent who was actually playing better tennis than he himself, even when losing, was a display of will power and determination such as is seldom seen in Hong Kong, or for that matter, anywhere.

"H. D." CONSISTENT

"H. D." throughout was consistency personified, his driving was a pleasure to watch. Hitting flat racket on the forehand and slicing on the backhand, he maintained an impeccable length and raised chalk on the baseline, times without number. He displayed far more discretion in making a net advance than did Sirdar, and was crisp and decisive with his volleying, and severe overhead.

His service was much the more reliable of the two, and the number of doubles he served throughout two hours of gruelling tennis, when at one time within an ace of collapse, could have been counted on the fingers of one hand.

NONCHALANCE

He was surprisingly nonchalant, however, at several critical periods. In the fifth game of the fourth set, he was leading 3-1 and 40-15 on service, only to lose the game. He had another opportunity at 4-2 of taking a commanding lead, but again threw it away. After lapses like

GOVERNOR'S CUP SOCCER TO-MORROW

O. A. G. To Present Trophies

The final of the Governor's Cup football competition, which brings to an official close the Hong Kong Football season, will take place on the Kowloon Football Club ground to-morrow commencing at 4.15 p.m. when the H.K.F.A. will oppose the H.K. Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, will afterwards present the Cup and medals to the winning team, and also the medals and trophies for the Leagues, Senior and Junior Shields.

Hong Kong Football Association:—Rowlands (Fusiliers); Pickering (Rifles) and Stevens (Rifles); Williams (Seaforths); Beltrao (Recreio) and Parker (Police); Irwin (Rifles), Land (Engineers), A. V. Gosano (Recreio). Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation:—Wong Wah-kai; Mak Shui-hon and Lee Tin-sang; Leung Wing-chiu, Tsui Ah-fai and A. N. Other; Tso Kwai-shing, Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-tong, Tam Kong-pak and Cheong Boon-wing.

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1.49.4—Dick Turpin (Davis, 155); 2, Twilight Star (Ip. Kui-ying, 152); 3, The Right Time (Charles, 157). 4 lengths and 4. 1st E.
1.47.2—Centre Court (Davis, 155); 2, Bag Tor (Gregory, 141); 3, Vixen Tor (Ralph, 146). Half length and short head. 1st E.
1.44.3—Ranger (Black, 150); 2, Able Amazon (Ip. 160); 3, Home Brew (Proulx, 158). Neck and head. 3rd E.

ONE MILE 171 YARDS

1.55.4 (record)—Electron (Deitz, 155); 2, Able Amazon (D. S. Li, 157); 3, Centre Court (Davis, 155). 3 lengths and 1½. A.M. 4.
1.58.3—Blandford (Deitz, 148); 2, Snowy River (Black, 154); 3, Saucy Face (H. C. Pih, 159). 2 lengths and 2. 2nd E (1st).
1.55.3 (record)—Strathroy (Black, 165); 2, Holiday Eve (Yuen, 140); 3, Gypsy Love (S. C. Liang, 160). 6 lengths and neck. 2nd E. (2nd).
2.00.1—A Great Time (Proulx, 152); 2, Twilight Star (Ip. 147); 3, Solerina (S. C. Liang, 147). 1½ lengths and 1½. 3rd E.

1¼ MILES

2.12.0—Strathroy (Black, 154); 2, Electron (Deitz, 154); 3, Able Amazon (D. S. Li, 157). 1½ lengths and 4. A.M. 2.
2.17.3—Home Brew (Ralph, 152); 2, Courting Eve (Needa, 155); 3, Solerina (S. C. Liang, 152). Short head and many lengths. A.M. 4.
2.10.3 (record)—Strathroy (Black, 152); 2, Electron (Deitz, 155); 3, Gypsy Love (D. S. Li, 155). 5 lengths and 2. A.M. 5.
1¼ MILES
2.43.2—Gypsy Love (D. S. Li, 155); 2, Lancashire Chips (H. C. Pih, 152); 3, Courting Eve (Needa, 155). 3 lengths and ½. A.M. 3.

these, he would have had only his own carelessness to blame if he had lost the match, as at one time it appeared so certain that he would.

On the day's play, however, he was easily the better player, and with his more accurate placements, was enabled to keep Sirdar continually on the move with fruitful results in the final stages.

Although not treated to absolutely first-class tennis, the large crowd of spectators can at least feel satisfied in having witnessed the finest match in this year's tournaments.

S. CHINA "A" AND SEAFORTHS CLASH

SENIOR RUNNERS-UP POSITION

CHINESE DISAPPOINT SUPPORTERS

LIGA-ORDNANCE RACE FOR HONOURS

OF the three League football matches down for decision this afternoon, there is only one of any real importance. I refer to the clash between the Seaforth Highlanders and South China "A", for the runners-up position.

The Seaforths have displayed amazing versatility this season and although they took over from the East Lancashire Regiment, nobody here expected them to offer any challenge until perhaps the beginning of next season. But they upset all calculations in almost their first encounter and to-day's match, providing the Chinese field their best side, should prove no exception to the rule.

South China "A" have disappointed thousands of their followers among both the Chinese and European communities with indifferent displays, particularly towards the close of the season when they fielded weaker teams than usual against what they thought were much inferior teams, and this has really been the cause of their downfall.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS TO-MORROW

Japanese Stronger This Year

CHALLENGE BY FILIPINOS

With the last-minute inclusion of the Filipino Club, making six teams in all, the local Baseball League makes its official start to-morrow, when at the Caroline Hill Diamond, the Nippon Club will encounter the Hong Kong Baseball Club in a seven innings game, when the first ball of the season will be pitched by Major V. E. Duclos, the Canadian Trade Commissioner.

The Filipino Club, who were formerly one of the most formidable sides in the League, but who dropped out several seasons ago owing to difficulties in raising a side, have gathered together a good nine which includes several players from last year's Eastern team, including M. el Arculli, one of the best all-rounders of the team, O. el Arculli and K. Nazarin, the Indian Recreation Club cricketer.

The Hong Kong Baseball Club, which will retain the services of most of last year's players from the American and Canadian sides, have been strengthened this year by a good pitcher in McCall, and will soon have the services of Rogers, who has played for his College while in the States.

VOLUNTEERS WEAKENED

The Volunteers will be without the services of D. Leonard, Costa and Hussain, who are at present in Manila, and who will not be available for another three weeks, but they have a useful player in Mendosa, the Recreio cricketer. Beltrao at a recent practice showed good

It is hoped, however, that they will field their best side to-day against the Scots, and so bring a surprising season to a fitting climax.

JUNIOR RACE

The struggle for the runners-up position in the Third Division between the Ordnance and Liga still continues, and the engagements of these two teams will be watched with great interest. The Ordnance are in a better position as they require only one more point in their game against Kwong Wah, to be assured of the honour, while the Liga have not only to win their game against the Medicals, but hope for a Kwong Wah win against the Ordnance. Even then a replay will be necessary.

If form can be taken as a guide, then the Ordnance seem assured of the position, for Kwong Wah are not expected to snatch both points, in spite of the improvements shown recently.

form. Of last year's team only Periera is doubtful. He cannot find the time for practice, but will play if really required.

The Japanese were well satisfied with their try-out last Thursday. Amakaski, the left hander, was fielding well while the youngsters were shaping. Takeda, Yasuda and Koga are all in form and unless the Hong Kong Chinese, or the Pui-Ching have improved it looks very much like the Japanese winning the trophy this season.

The match has been completed and it only remains for the managers to visit the ground for the drawing up of a few local ground rules.

Most of the games this season will be umpired by Messrs. H. Smith and R. Dodge, while the scoring will be in the capable hands of Mr. Pearce, former first baseman of the Canadians.

The probable line-ups are:
Japanese: Amakaski, p.; Yasuda, c.; Koga, 1b.; Nakamoto, 2b.; Kato, 3b.; Mikuni, s.s.; Takeda, 1f.; Yamazaki, c.f.; and Iwata, r.f.
Hong Kong Baseball Club: A. McCall, p.; Thomson or Walker, c.; Hearther, 1b.; Altree, 2b.; Divett, 3b.; Smedley, s.s.; Moulton, 1f.; B. McCall, c.f.; Muir, r.f.

LAWN BOWLS SEASON OPENS TO-DAY

Much Interest In Third Division

FOOTBALL CLUB STRENGTHENED

Several interesting matches should be witnessed during the opening games of the Lawn Bowls season this afternoon, when no less than 24 teams will be competing in the Three Divisions.

The most interesting game should be in the Second Division between the Indian Recreation Club and Tai-koo, both of whom were in the First Division last season, while the debut of the Football Club, in the First Division, against the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, will also be watched with interest.

The former have been strengthened by the transfer of several players from the senior teams of other clubs and the most notable being A. Hyde-Lay, G. Duncan, and W. Gill.

Craigengower Cricket Club, champions of the senior division, have lost several of last year's players, but are still able to raise a good side, and are favoured against the Kowloon Cricket Club.

The following is my forecast giving in brackets the corresponding result of last year's match, where ever possible:—

FIRST DIVISION

C.C.C.	(67)	K.C.C.	(57)
RECREIO	(74)	C.S.C.C.	(47)

"ROVER'S" FOOTBALL FORECAST

The following are the football fixtures for this week-end, giving "Rover's" selections:—

TO-DAY	
South China "A" v Seaforths	(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
Club v Fusilliers	(Club, 4.45 p.m.)
Rifles v South China "B"	(Sookunpoo, 3.15 p.m.)
Second Division	
Club v Seaforths	(Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)
Third Division	
Kwong Wah v Ordnance	(Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m.)
Liga v Medicals	(Chatham Road, 4.45 p.m.)
Engineers v Seaforths	(Club, 3.15 p.m.)
Service Corps v Kumaon Rifles	(King's Park, 4.45 p.m.)
TO-MORROW	
H.K.F.A. v H.K.C.A.A.F.	(Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

K.B.G.C.	(-)	H.K.F.C.	(-)
K.D.R.C.	(73)	Police	(57)
SECOND DIVISION			
K.C.C.	(-)	C.C.C.	(-)
H.K.F.C.	(42)	K.B.G.C.	(79)
RECREIO	(90)	P.R.C.	(44)
*TAIKOO	(44)	I.R.C.	(70)

(* In First Division last year)

THIRD DIVISION			
C.S.C.C.	(-)	K.F.C.	(-)
YACHT CLUB	(57)	C.C.C.	(50)
H.K.E.R.C.	(-)	Kowloon T.	(-)
H.K.F.C.	(-)	G.D.R.	(-)

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F.A. CUP FINAL AT WEMBLEY TO-DAY

SUNDERLAND AND PRESTON CLASH FOR HONOURS

KING AND QUEEN TO ATTEND FOR THE FIRST TIME

THE EAGERLY AWAITED CLASH BETWEEN SUNDERLAND LAST YEAR'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONS AND PRESTON NORTH END AT THE WEMBLEY STADIUM, HERE, TO-DAY, WILL BE THE SIXTY-FIRST FINAL FOR THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CHALLENGE CUP. THE VAST ARENA CRAMMED TO CAPACITY WITH 93,000 LEATHER-THROATED "FANS" FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, THE MASSED BANDS MARCHING BACK AND FORTH, THE WHITE GOALPOSTS PICKED OUT STARK AND CLEAR ON THE FIELD OF BRILLIANT GREEN, AND THE THUNDEROUS ROAR OF WELCOME AS THE TEAMS RUN OUT FROM THE DRESSING ROOMS, SUCH IS THE CLIMAX TO THE ENGLISH SOCCER SEASON.

THE PLEASURE OF THE 93,000 FANS IS MADE COMPLETE WHEN THEIR KING, GEORGE VI, WHO CELEBRATES HIS CORONATION ON MAY 12, IS PRESENT IN THE ROYAL BOX. THE WRITER WILL NOT FORGET A REMARKABLE SPONTANEOUS ILLUSTRATION OF LOYALTY AND AFFECTION THAT OCCURRED AT THE FINAL A FEW SEASONS AGO, WHEN HIS LATE MAJESTY KING GEORGE V WAS EXPECTED ON THAT OCCASION TO MAKE HIS FIRST APPEARANCE AT ANY NATIONAL SPORTING EVENT SINCE AN ENFORCED WITHDRAWAL FROM PUBLIC LIFE, AND DISAPPOINTMENT WAS CREATED BY THE NEWS THAT HE WOULD NOT, AFTER ALL, BE ABLE TO SPEND THIS AFTERNOON WITH HIS PEOPLE, SHARING ONE OF THEIR CHIEF AMUSEMENTS.

The genuineness of the crowd's regret could be gauged from the scene occasioned by the later announcement — made in the middle of a particularly whole-hearted burst of community singing, prior to the kick-off — that he was then on his way to the Stadium from Windsor Castle. Before resuming the song at the point where it was broken off, each member of this vast open-air choir — or so it seemed — raised his or her programme at arm's length as if in greeting to the approaching sovereign, and the sea of faces was lost to view in a snow-white flutter of paper.

It is a big moment in the game when the King shakes hands with the players, the referee and the linesmen, lined up before the start, and a bigger one perhaps when, at the conclusion, he presents the gleaming cup to the captain of the winning side and smiles away the scruples of the 22 tired stars, who feel that they ought to keep their muddy hands from his grasp. The King congratulates the victors and has a few words of consolation for the

losing side. And all the time he smiles. As one perky little Cockney was heard to observe, "E don't arf enjoy issself."

The King and Queen in the Royal Box, which will be decorated with 1,400 red roses, will head the huge Cup Final crowd.

NEVER WON CUP

This year's Cup final is all the more interesting in view of the fact that Sunderland, last season's League champions, have never won

this famous trophy, while they have only appeared once in the final in the year before the war when they lost to Aston Villa by the only goal of the match.

Preston North End, on the other hand, have appeared in Final the Cup on three previous occasions, their first being in the 1887-88 season when they lost to West Bromwich Albion by the odd goal in three, and again in the following year when they recorded their first success by beating Wolverhampton



The F.A. Cup, above, will be fought for to-day when Sunderland meets Preston North End at the world famous Wembley Stadium.

by three clear goals. In their last appearance in the Final, in the 1921-22 season, they lost to the Huddersfield by a solitary goal.

CONFIDENT OF WIN

Sunderland are confident of winning the trophy for the first time in their history, but Preston are clever and workmanlike, and have a match-winning centre-forward in Frank O'Donnell, their new Scottish International. O'Donnell has scored in every round of the Cup so far.

Both clubs have unaccountably refused to agree to the Football Association's suggestion that the players' shirts be numbered.

FROM THE CUP CAMPS

Holdcroft, Preston North End's international goalkeeper, had his injured finger examined recently and is a doubtful starter, while Sunderland will play Hastings, at left half, in place of the injured McNab.

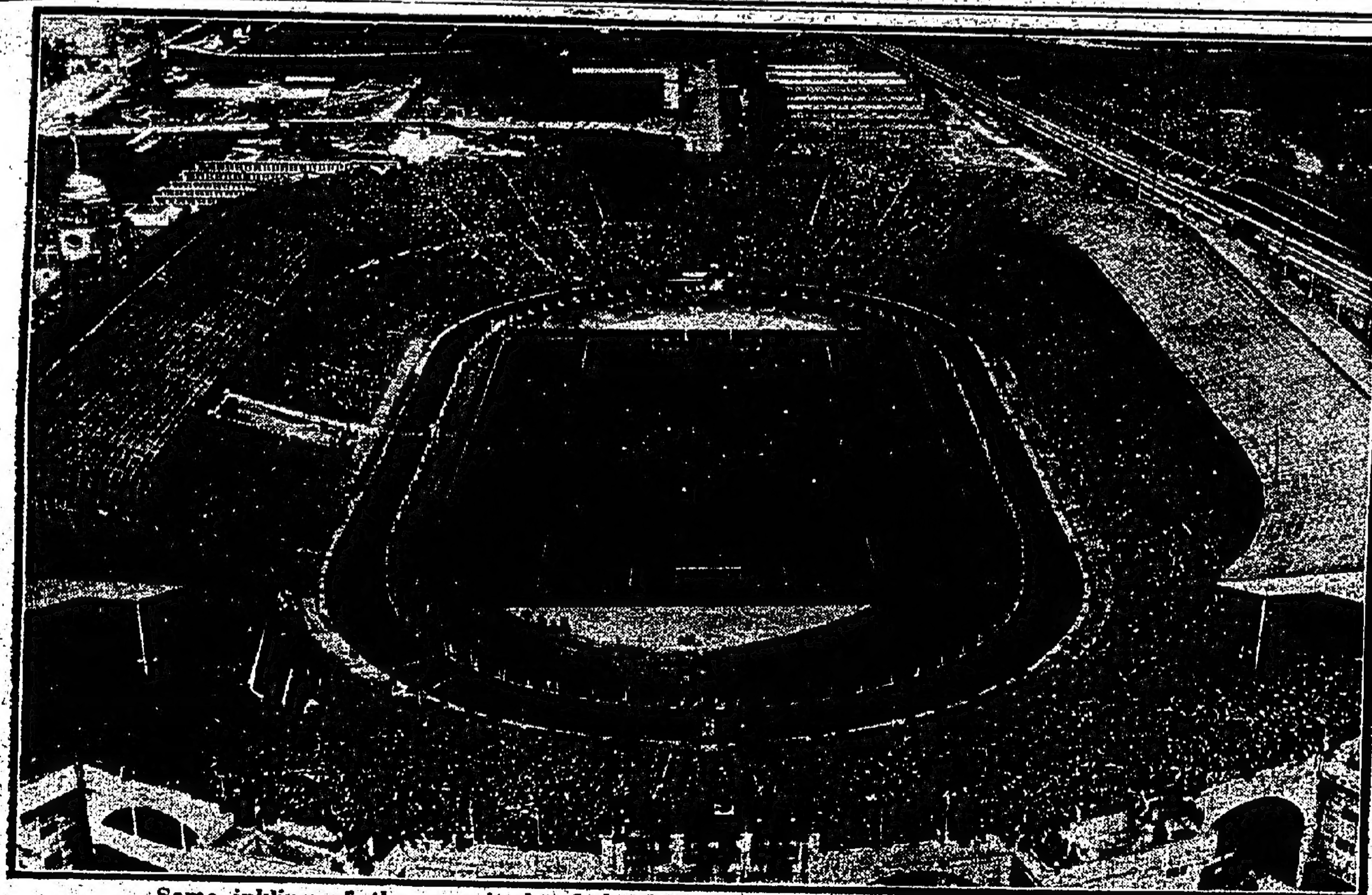
Sunderland's left-half problem being solved their team picked itself. They are more fortunate in their early selection than their three rivals. Here is their probable team: Mapson; Gorman, Hall; Thomson, Johnston, Hastings; Duns, Carter, Gurney, Gallacher, Burbanks.

Preston will not be greatly put out even if Holdcroft cannot play. They have, in Burns, a splendid deputy goalkeeper. As foreshadowed, Lowe cannot play and Beattie comes in at left-back.

FIRST WEMBLEY GAME

The football authorities made the final an all-ticket affair because, when the Wembley Stadium was first opened, they had the shock of their lives. That, was in 1923. So persuasive had been the British Empire Exhibition publicity service, so effective were the transport organisers, and so sunny was the day that, instead of the estimated 125,000 enthusiasts, a crowd of exceeding a quarter of a million made its way to the lofty suburban hilltop where the Empire Stadium rears its bulk against the sky. Basing their remarks upon the experience of previous cup-ties, the football authorities had said, "No need to stay away for fear of lack of room—chance for all to see the game." And the public took them at their word.

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Some inkling of the magnitude of the F.A. Cup crowd at Wembley Stadium, can be gauged from the above photograph, which was taken on the occasion of the 1935-36 Cup final between West Bromwich Albion and Sheffield Wednesday.

F. A. CUP FINAL AT WEMBLEY TO-DAY

(Continued from Page 21)

GREATEST "CROWD SCENE"

One's experience of post-war sport in many countries furnishes the recollection of no "crowd scene" to compare with the spectacle that day at Wembley. All went merrily until about an hour before the scheduled time for the kick-off. The lady who had walked from Beccles, the two Scotsmen who had been three weeks walking from Aberdeen, and other sports lovers were on the scene unconscionably early. For many hours—the tedium relieved by itinerant musicians, vendors of mascots, refreshment—dispensers and merchants selling "real gold watches at h'awful loss for one shilling each"—they waited patiently. At 11.15 a.m. they were admitted.

1,000 A MINUTE

Still the railway, issuing tickets at the rate of 1,000 a minute, poured load after load into Wembley, still the stream of road conveyances, now swollen to a flood, rolled onward, along the wide unpaved roads that had been built for the British Empire Exhibition, on the site of pretty but incommensurable country lanes.

Finally, at 2 p.m., the authorities closed the gates. And that made trouble. The crowd, augmented every instant, swelled and swelled. Something had to go, and that something was the barriers. The multitude was now inside the exhibition grounds, climbing up the hill to the arena. Once in the wide corridor, out of which lead gangways to the stands, further progress became impossible. Then the wrought-iron gates gave. There was an involuntary surge through each opening as it was made, and, before the situation could be realised, those early stoics who had been waiting patiently for the game to start were thrown forward onto the pitch. Reinforcements for the small body of police were sent for, and there appeared no chance whatever of the match taking place.

THEN THE KING CAME

Just when the turmoil was at its height King George V. arrived, and that immense carpet of humanity, forgetting its want of space in a spontaneous wave of loyalty, stood bareheaded, cheering and cheering again. The King showed not the slightest discomposure at the surprising scene.

Quietly and unobtrusively, the mounted police, assisted by their confreres on foot, got seriously to work in augmented numbers. Not



Following in the footsteps of several stars of yesteryear, E. P. "Patsy" Hendren, the famous Middlesex and England batsman, announces that he is retiring from first-class cricket at the end of the current year.

R. W. V. ROBINS' INJURY

MAY NOT PLAY THIS YEAR

AUSTRALIAN TOUR RESULT

London, April 7.

It was revealed yesterday that R. W. V. Robins, the Middlesex captain, might not be able to play any cricket this year, owing to the finger injury which he received in Australia.

Robins, the first members of G. O. Allen's side to return, has slipped back quietly into London. He was not expected until the end of this week. Asked whether he would captain Middlesex this year, he said: "My bowling hand was injured in Australia, and I do not expect to know before the end of May if it will permit me taking part in cricket."

Mr. P. F. Warner, the new president of Middlesex, said yesterday: "Few people over here realise how badly Mr. Robins was hurt in Australia. Not only was his finger broken, but the top was almost severed and the ligaments severely torn."

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PETER KANE FOR WORLD TITLE BOUT

Beats Frenchman In 72 Secs.

PARIS THE VENUE?

Paris, April 5.

Peter Kane, the 19-year-old Golborne flyweight, beat Joseph Decico, the French holder of the European bantam-weight championship, according to the International Boxing Union, in the first round of a 12-round contest at the Palais des Sports to-night.

Kane thus confounded the French critics, who were of the opinion that the young Englishman was attempting too much in fighting above his weight.

After the contest it was stated that Balthazar Sangchili, the Spanish holder of the world's bantam-weight championship, according to the I.B.U., had agreed to defend his title against Kane in Paris in June.

QUICK START

Kane began last night's fight with a stinging left hook to the Frenchman's body, and he followed up with a straight right to the jaw, sending Decico down for a count of five. The Frenchman was dazed when he rose, and was down again from a well-directed right hook to the jaw.

Decico was floored for a third time by a right hook to the jaw, and it was obvious that he had no chance against the hard-hitting Englishman. Decico took a left upper-cut to the body, followed by a right to the head, and the referee stopped the fight, which lasted only 1min 12sec.



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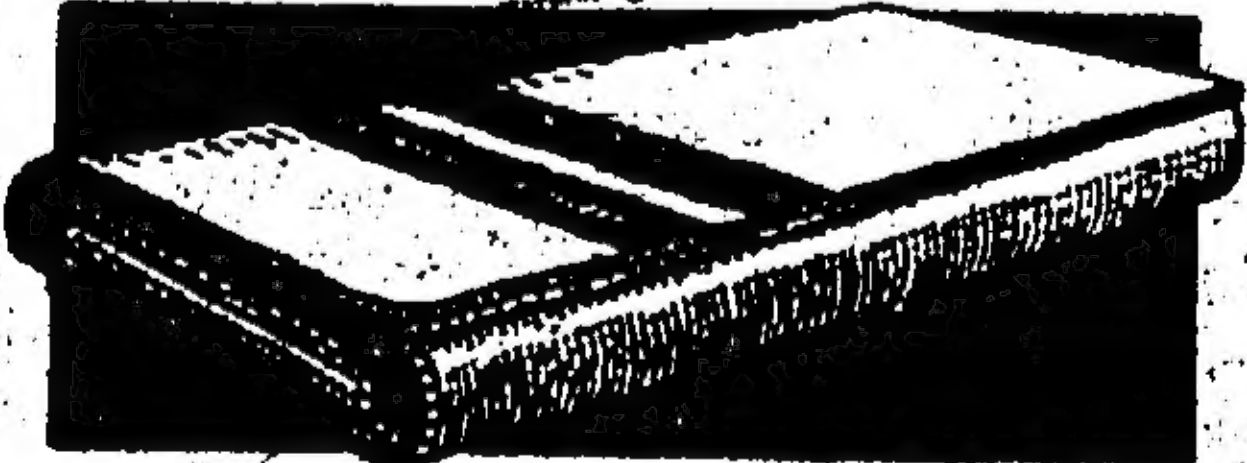
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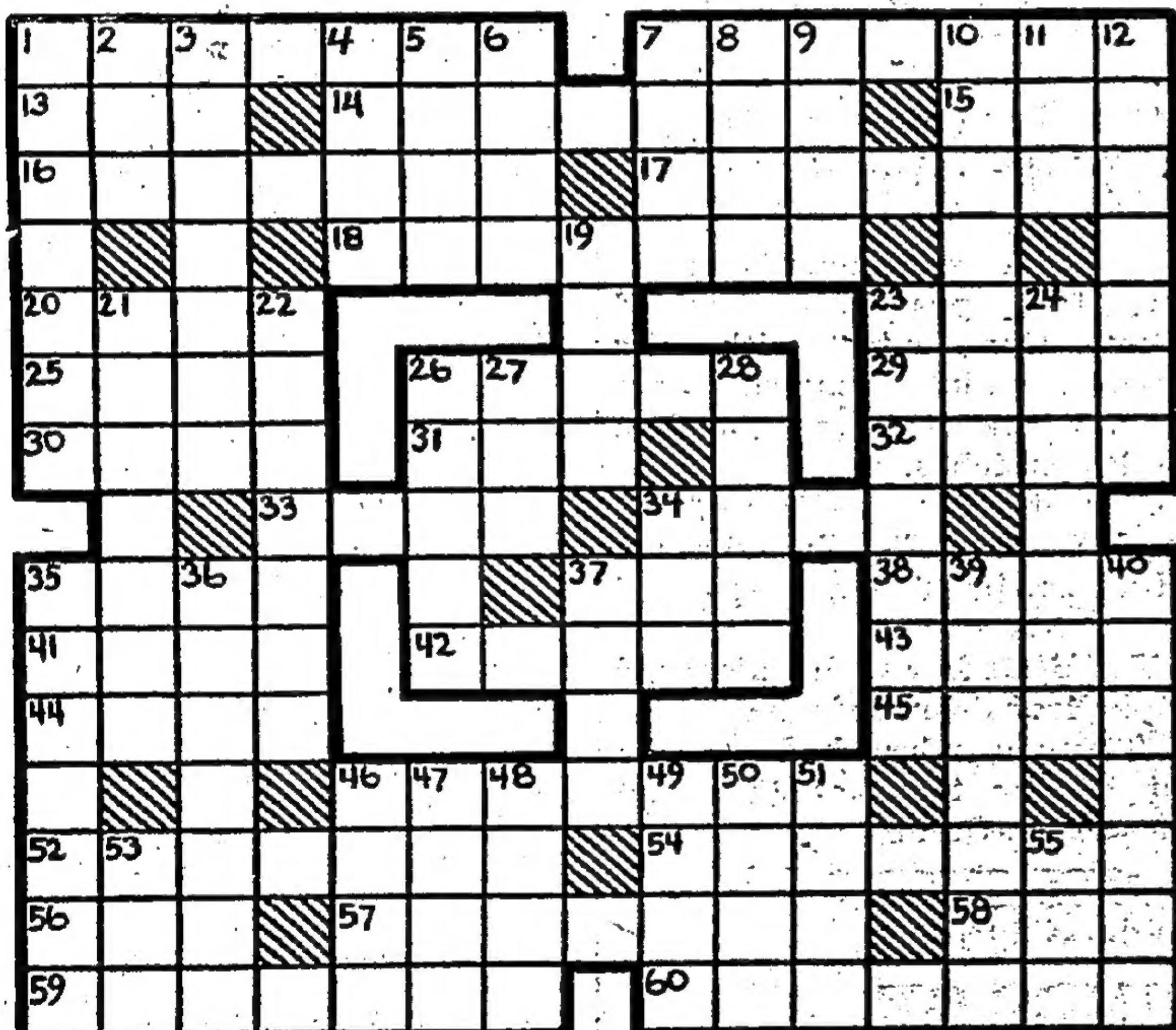
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1-Wrenched
7-Rougher
13-Pronoun
14-Adherent of atomic
theory
15-A compass point
(abbr.)
16-Shared with another
of letters
18-Most profound
20-Assume an attitude
23-Awhlie (Scot.)
25-Equal
26-An extended area
29-Makes a mistake
30-Recline
31-A rodent
32-Stains
33-A metal
34-Combining form.
Equal
35-Residue from wine-
making
37-Alcoholic beverage
38-Man's name
41-To the sheltered
side

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
42-Plans
43-Eagle
44-Snow-vehicle
45-Dips
46-Avers
52-Building
54-An antiseptic
56-Fish eggs
57-Fops
58-A substantive ending
59-City thoroughfare
60-Ceases from action

VERTICAL

1-To speak very low
2-Edge
3-Abuses
4-Perplexing
5-Diminutive suffix
(Fr.)
6-Portion of medicine
7-Ascend
8-A serpent (pl.)
9-Let stand (Print.)
10-Restoration to pro-
tection of law

VERTICAL (Cont.)
11-A compass point
(abbr.)
12-Make reparation for
19-Plot
21-Including all from
end to end
22-Cured
23-Claude form of
ediles
24-Before long
26-Army
27-Moved rapidly
28-English street-cars
34-Place
35-Conquers
36-Containing more
reads
37-A flower
39-Man's name
40-Cuddles
46-Military assistant
47-Said to a cat
48-Japanese coin (pl.)
49-To invade suddenly
50-Large plant
51-To hiss
53-Speak
55-Worthless leaving

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle
will appear in Monday's issue.

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N.Z. TAKES LEAD

Kho And Tsui Lose Touch

INSPIRED PLAY IN SECOND SET

The Davis Cup series commenced yesterday with matches all over the world, New Zealand taking the lead over China at Brighton, when C. E. Malfroy and A. C. Stedman beat Kho Sin-kie and Tsui Wai-pui in their doubles encounter in four sets. America secured the lead against Japan at San Francisco when Donald Budge, a semi-finalist at Wimbledon and the first ranking American player, beat Fumiteru Nakano in straight sets.

Yet another clash commenced at Amsterdam, where South Africa secured a lead of two clear matches, winning both their opening singles encounters.

A Reuter's message from Brighton yesterday states that the Chinese pair were featured in a plucky struggle against a more experienced doubles pair. Kho Sin-kie was brilliant, covering nearly all the court and making hard drives, and bringing off finely executed angle-volleys, while Tsui was very good overhead, smashing finely.

The Chinese pair secured an early lead taking the first two games of the opening set, but the New Zealanders settled down quickly and being the better combination, soon swept the Chinese from the court. They led by 5 games to 3 in the second set after a brilliant series of volleys, but the Chinese now returned everything, smashing and volleying like ones inspired, the New Zealanders making the mistake of lobbing which were immediately killed.

Following this set-back, the British pair scored repeatedly down the middle and smashed vigorously, and thus revealed a lack of combination among their opponents, who had lost their touch and who were constantly out-driven.

To-day the two remaining matches in the singles will be played and New Zealand have only to secure one win to take them into the next round. Kho Sin-kie will meet A. C. Stedman, while W. C. Choy will clash with C. E. Malfroy, and the deciding issue will probably rest on the latter encounter, as Kho is almost certain to beat his opponent and level the scores.

Detailed results to date are as follows:—

CHINA V. NEW ZEALAND (At Brighton)

SINGLES

Kho Sin-kie (China) beat C. E. Malfroy (N. Zealand) 6-0, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

W. C. Choy (China) lost to A. C. Stedman (N. Zealand) 4-6, 0-6, 2-6.

DOUBLES

Kho Sin-kie and Tsui Wai-pui (China) lost to A. C. Stedman and C. E. Malfroy 3-6, 8-6, 3-6, 2-6.

UNITED STATES V. JAPAN (At San Francisco)

SINGLES

Donald Budge (U.S.) beat Fumiteru Nakano (Japan) 6-1, 6-1, 6-0.

HOLLAND V. S. AFRICA (At Amsterdam)

SINGLES

Teschmacher (Holland) lost to V. G. Kirby (S. Africa) 3-6, 5-7, 6-8.
Hughan (Holland) lost to Norman Farquharson (S. Africa) 1-6, 1-6, 1-6.

C. B. A. PROTEST ONCE AGAIN

The Mamak Champions versus the Rest match, which was scheduled to take place to-morrow morning in the H.K.S.R.A. ground, has been postponed pending a further protest by the Central British Association.

U.S. BASEBALL HITTERS FIND FORM

Big Scores Recorded Yesterday

YANKEES DOWNED

New York, To-day. Tall scoring featured yesterday's Baseball League programme, the Giants overwhelming the Dodgers by 11 runs to 2, Manusco, Ott and Ripple clouting four-baggers, while the Braves likewise dealt with the Phillies by 10 runs to 2, Joe Dimaggio walking the four bags in succession.

The Red Sox were in a high scoring mood in the American League when they notched up 15 runs against the Athletics, who could only reply with five, Jimmy Foxx making his debut this season among the home-run kings.

Results as cabled by Reuter, were:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	2	7	1
Manush hit a homer.			
New York	11	14	1
Manusco, Melvin Ott and Ripple clouted homers.			

Boston	10	14	2
Joe Dimaggio hit a homer			
Philadelphia	2	6	0
Norris hit a homer			

Chicago	7	17	2
Pittsburgh	2	10	1

Cincinnati	1	5	2
St. Louis	7	10	0
Mize hit a homer			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia	5	9	1
Parker hit a homer			
Boston	15	19	1
Jimmy Foxx hit a homer			

New York	1	5	2
Washington	4	6	0

Detroit	4	10	1
Cleveland	2	10	2
(Ten innings were played).			

—Reuter.

EXHIBITIONIST WINS 1,000 GNS. TURF CLASSIC

London, Yesterday. The One Thousand Guineas, run at Epsom to-day, resulted in a win for Exhibitionist (Steve Donoghue) while Spray (Pay Beasley) was second, beaten by half a head. Gainsborough Lass (E. Smith) was third.

Other runners were:—Pepicott (Gordon Richards), Gliding (Weston), Kind Kitty (Cliff Richards), Sweet Content (Sibbitt), Pack Ice (Perryman), Fair Maud (Sam Wragg), Collette (Bridgland), Celestial Way (Gardlake), Field Fare (Harry Wragg), First Flight (Marshall), Lovers Path (Sirett), Lady of Milan (Lowrey), Daring Duchess (Smirke), Frog March (Packham), Black Lashes (Beary), Burlington Lass (Herbert), E.C.B. (Jones).—Reuter.

THE SENORITA DEFEATS MISS DOROTHY ROUND

British Hardcourts Championships

DAVIS CUP DOUBLES PAIRS THROUGH

Bournemouth, To-day.

Two surprises featured yesterday's play in the British Hard Courts Tennis Championship.

Senorita Lizana (Chile) defeated Miss Dorothy Round (Britain) in the semi-final of the Ladies' Singles in straight sets.

Miss Lizana won by 6-4, 6-2.

In the other semi-final, Miss Peggy Scriven beat Miss Mary Hardwick by 4-6, 6-2, 6-0.

In the third round of the Men's Doubles, John Olliff and E. C. Peters beat H. W. Austin and R. Nicholl by 6-1, 6-4, 6-0. Nicholl is a promising 16-year-old player of whom Austin thinks highly and asked to play with him.

G. P. Hughes and C. R. D. Tuckey beat John Olliff and E. C. Peters in the semi-final by 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

In the other semi-final G. E. Hare and F. H. D. Wilde, Britain's possible Davis Cup doubles pair, beat Butler and Ritchie by 8-6, 6-1, 6-4.

In the Ladies' Doubles, Miss Scott and Miss Whitmarsh caused a sensation when they beat Miss Mary Heeley and Miss Dorothy Round by 6-3, 0-6, 6-4, while Miss Molly Dearman and Miss Ingram beat Miss Nancy Lyle (South Africa) and Miss Betty Nuthall by 8-6, 6-1.—Reuter.

South Africa Leading Netherlands

Amsterdam, To-day.

South Africa practically decided their Davis Cup contest with the Netherlands, which started here yesterday, when they won the first two singles matches.

Kirby beat Teschmacher 6-2, 7-5 and 8-6, while Farquharson beat Hughan by 6-1, 6-1 and 6-1.

The Netherlands are handicapped by the indisposition of their best player, Timmer, who had to be left out of the team at the last minute.—Trans-Ocean.

SEMI-FINAL ROUNDS OF COLONY SNOOKER

Both semi-final round matches in the Colony Snooker Championship will be played next Tuesday.

L. V. Antonio will meet C. Strange at the Royal Naval Yard Police Canteen at 8 p.m., while J. E. Noronha and A. J. Osmund will commence their game at the Chief Petty Officers' and Petty Officers' Recreation Room at 8.30 p.m. Each match will be of four frames.

HOME FOOTBALL Motherwell Swamp Celtic

London, To-day.

Playing at home in a First Division Scottish League match yesterday, Motherwell swamped Celtic to the tune of 3 goals to nil.—Reuter.

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London, To-day.

The London bus strike began quietly at midnight. The buses reached the garages and were washed in the usual way and were parked in long lines, apparently for an indefinite period. The busmen declare that none of London's 5,000 buses will run to-day, involving 25,000 men. The men, after midnight, held meetings in cafes near the garages. The meetings were well-attended and very orderly. Police arrived to patrol the entrances to each garage but hitherto there have been no incidents.—Reuter.

FOORD AND BAER TO MEET AGAIN

Bout Arranged At Harringay

London, To-day.

Maxie Baer, former world heavyweight boxing champion, is to have another smack at Ben Foord, British and Empire Heavyweight Champion.

Baer lost to Foord recently on points after a hard-fought battle, and the two men have been matched for a return bout at Harringay on May 27.

The contest will be of twelve rounds.—Reuter.

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